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Prime Minister states war aim
 Defeat of Milosevic a 'moral imperative'

Blair: No compromises

By Michael Evans and Charles Bremner

TONY BLAIR committed Nato to a moral crusade against President Milosevic yesterday, saying the bombing would continue until the Yugoslav leader had been forced to "step down".

Later it was made clear that the Prime Minister was not announcing a new Nato objective - the overthrow of Mr Milose-vic - but saying that the defeat of the Yugoslav leader was a moral imperative.

On a visit to Nato headquarters in Brussels, Mr Blair said there would be no deals or compromises with Mr Milosevic after the "appalling" scenes of violence and brutality in Ko-

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He said: "To see people herd-ed on to trains and taken away from their homes and to hear the stories that those refugees have come back from Kosovo with - and heaven only knows what we shall find when we go into Kosovo -- to hear those is to either awaken our conscience and make us act or is to say we have no conscience and no will to act in the



face of something which is appalling and wrong.

Nato said yesterday it had received reports that about 700 Albanian boys as young as 14 had been taken from their families to be used as human shields and as "blood banks" for Serb war casualties.

Asked what the alliance would do now after four weeks of bombing had failed "to make Mr Milosevic step down", Mr Blair replied: "lı is very simple, we carry on until he does step down.

The Prime Minister's aides swiftly added that he was not saying that Mr Milosevic should leave office but that he must back down and withdraw his forces from Kosovo.

Mr Blair's passionate attack on the conduct of Mr Milosevic's forces in Kosovo was clearly aimed at shoring up any doubts within the alliance about Nato's "just cause". His unequivocal backing for the

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air campaign was backed last night by Baroness Thatcher, who said the war had to be won and who advocated the use of ground troops.

vic's unpredictability, 300 Yugoslav soldiers crossed from Montenegro into a United Nations-monitored demilitarised zone in the Croatian Previaka peninsula yesterday. They seized the border control point from Montenegrin police and closed the Debeli Bridge bor-

to be withdrawn and urged the Security Council to ensure strict implementation of the resolutions covering the Prevlaka peninsula, south of Dubrovnik. The territory, which controls access to the Kotor inlet along the coast of Montenegro, where the Yugoslav Navy has a base, has been the cause of a longstanding dispute.

es had begun to attack Albanians in Montenegro. Jamie Shea, the Nato spokesman, said this was a "new and distressing development.

troops exchanged fire across the border yesterday in the first clash since the start of the Kosovo crisis. One Albanian soldier was reported injured. It was also made clear ves

terday that the focus of th Nato summit, starting in Washington on Friday, would be to underline the unity behind the air campaign, as well as to seek consensus for tightening the economic sanctions against Yugoslavia. In particular, there will be a demand for new measures to stop illegal oil supplies reaching Belgrade

from ports in Montenegro. The possibility of sending in summit. Sandy Berger, the US National Security Adviser,

But Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, told the Commons that it was possible to "conceive of circumstances in which it may be feasible to commit ground troops", provided they were not faced with "organised armed resistance" and the Serbs were withdraw-

ing from Kosovo. Mr Blair sent the same signals, drawing a distinction between a full land invasion against a robust Yugoslav Army and going in against troops severely damaged by weeks or months of Nato

As a reminder of Mr Milose

der crossing with Croatia. Croatia called for the troops

Nato revealed that Serb forc-

Serb forces and Albanian

ground forces into Kosovo is expected to be raised at the said that Nato leaders would discuss it, although the alliance was unlikely to change its

policy of airstrikes.

War reports, pages 4-7 Simon Jenkins, page 22 Letters, page 23



American soldiers arriving at Tirana yesterday, the vanguard for several hundred paratroopers who will guard Apache helicopters in Albania

Cook's secret atrocity dossier

By Michael Evans DEFENCE EDITOR

BRITAIN is to hand over all the intelligence it has acquired about atrocities and mass rapes committed by Serb troops in Kosovo to Judge Lou-ise Arbour, prosecutor for the International Criminal Tribunai for the Former Yugoslavia

in The Hague.

Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, said it would be the "largest release of intelligence material" ever authorised by the British Government.

Appearing at a joint press conference at the Ministry of Defence, Mr Cook said Britain had collated material on more than 50 separate incidents.

It included "not just the grue-some details of the incidents themselves, but the names of the units operating in the area at the time and the names of

their commanders. We want to make sure that those brought to justice are not only the thugs who committed the crimes but those who gave

the orders," Mr Cook said. Although he did not explain how the material had been acquired, it is likely it has come from a combination of signals intelligence - eavesdropping on Yugoslav military communications — questioning of ref-ugees and covert operations

within the Yugoslav province. Mr Cook said he had handed over more than 100 docu-

ments to Judge Arbour yester-day, which had been collected by the British Embassy in Belgrade in the months leading up to the present conflict. This material provides a running commentary on a sus-tained campaign of brutality

going back over the last year,"
Mr Cook said. Judge Arbour made is clear that while she welcomed the support given to her by the Government and by other Nato governments, none of the intelligence material would be used in court unless it had been fully corroborated by oth-

She said this was crucial because the tribunal had to be seen as an independent legal

"political agenda". She would not confirm whether the United States had also offered to

hand over intelligence.
But she indicated that without such covertly-acquired material, it would be difficult to build up the evidence to make a case stick because she had "no access to electronic surveillance or wire taps".

She refused to disclose whether she was investigating President Milosevic.

Another possible war crime was revealed yesterday when a Nato official said reports had been received of the Serbs using Albanian boys as young as 14 as "blood banks" for their injured soldiers.

After 24 years, Thatcher seeks peace with Heath

By JAMES LANDALE, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

BARONESS Thatcher sought to end the longest running feud in British politics last night by publicly lavishing praise on Sir Edward Heath.

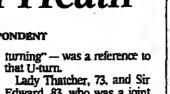
The former prime ministers have hardly exchanged a word since 1975, when Lady Thatcher succeeded Sir Edward as Tory leader Lady Thatcher chose a party celebrating the 20th anniversary of her rise to power to bury the hatchet.

Before 1,000 guests at the Hilton Hotel on Park Lane in London, she referred to the feud with a joke at her own expense. She said that when she announced her candidacy for the Tory leadership, her hushand, Denis, told her: "Good Lord! You must be mad, but I'll support you all the way". Lady Thatcher told the guests:

who has done us the great honthat U-turn. our of being here tonight, would agree with at least half

that statement." She added: "I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Ted as one of the most forceful and effective prime ministers. Go back and read his 1970 manifesto: it is one of the boldest and best the Conservative Party ever produced". It was "a document

not for burning". Tory historians were quick to point out the sting in the tale: many Tories never for-gave Sir Edward for his Uturn on the 1970 manifesto when, two years later, he introduced an incomes policy and a new interventionist approach to industry. They pointed out that Lady Thatcher's famous "I suspect that Ted Heath, remark - This lady is not for



Edward, 83, who was a joint guest of honour with William Hague, the current Tory leader, also appeared at a rare joint photocall for the press. The feud began in 1975 with Sir Edward's resentment at los-

ing the party leadership to Lady Thatcher. He was also unhappy when she subsequently failed to make him Foreign Secretary in 1979. They also clashed repeately over Europe, as they held entirely opposite views.

There was an early sign of rapprochement at the Tory party conference in October when the former leaders shared the platform. news bulletin Page 8

Photograph, page 2



hoping there might be a Roman warship in there"

Ships found, page 11 BBC bows to

BBC Television's Six O Clock News is to introduce regional headlines to quell anger over the corporation's refusal to give Scotland its own

the regions

Gunmen run riot in school

TWO men in black trench coats and masks walked into a Denver high school and opened fire indiscriminately at groups of children vesterday (Damian Whitworth writes). Several children were carried out covered in blood, but amid chaotic scenes it was uncertain if anybody had been killed.

Police were searching the school - Columbine High in Littleton - for the gunmen, who were believed still to be inside armed with automatic weapons. There were reports of explosions and a fire and some witnesses said that the men had been throwing grenades.

"We saw three people get shot," one girl said. "They were just shooting. They didn't care who they shot. They were just shooting. They throwing grenades."



tions yesterday. a most unfortunate accident befell a backbench MP. A new Labour poodle's pager got stuck on auto-bleep and bis

confusion was pitiful. This sketch is not certain that the victim was the nitraloyalist Ernie Ross (Lab, Dundee West). Nor was Madam Speaker. But her face turned to thunder as a continuous whistling came from the vague direction of the government benches. Mr Ross was seen fishing in his pocket. struggling with a tiny machine. Perhaps (like nthers) he was just checking. The

COMMERCIAL generically modified crops could ruin wild-

life unless there is tight regula-

tion, the Government's chief

scientific adviser said yester-

Sir Robert May said they

could intensify the dramanc

postwar decline in songbirds.

insects, wild flowers and

hedgerows. The technology

was the next "notch up in real-

ising the dream of agriculture,

from its birth 10,000 years

ago, of growing crops that no

This raised serious concerns

Professor May said that he

shared the concerns expressed

by English Nature, the Gov-

about fields bereft of the weeds. seeds and bugs on which birds and wild animals

one else eats but us".

alfway through Fnr-eign Office ques-squeaks and bellows of backbench MPs, triggered when "abroad" is discussed. The sound was reminiscent of the Amazonian night.

Being creatures of the forest floor. MPs cannot always see whither their arguments tend. But, swinging in the vines above, we monkeys of the press sometimes can. Through the jungle noises it was just possible to discern a new tune: a new theory of world order. You could call it the Ashdown doctrine.

Answering Oona King (Lab. Bethnal Green & Bow) the Foreign Secretary repeat-

has increased yields and

efficiency but has correspond-

ingly made for great changes

in the countryside. The thrust

of GM crops is to accelerate

this trend." he told the House

of Commons Environmental

But opting out of the world-

wide drive to develop geneti-

cally modified crops was not an

option, he said. About 86 mil-

lion acres, roughly one and a

half times the size of Britain.

were already producing such crops. Over the coming years

a battle would be fought to pro-

duce more food to feed a boom-

Professor May said he be-

lieved that genetically modifed crops, producing more food

with fewer herbicides, pesti-

ing world population.

Audit Select Committee:

BY NICK NUTTALL ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT



ed the British position: that when this war is over, it will be impossible to hand back Kosovo to anyone.

So what was to be done? Robin Cook did not use the word "protectorate" but described an administration run by an alphabet soup of international bodies. Anagramfreaks advise that from UNO. EU and OSCE it is possible to construct "U cue noose".

Paddy Ashdown dares to say protectorate. He first used

PROTEST BAN FAILS

A High Court indge

turned down an applica-tion by Monsanto, the multinational biotech-

nology company, for

injunctions against pro-

testers who ripped up

200 gene-altered maize

plants in Oxfordshire.

Justice Klevan said yes-

terday they may have a defence. A full hearing

follows in a few months.

ning this war. The develop-

ment of such erops could not be left in the hands of multi-

national biotechnology firms.
Britain needed to be a play-

er on the world scene, helping

to bring in controls and regula-

the term some three weeks ago. But the Liberal Democrats resisted the temptation to crow, "I told you so". Maybe in their minds they are moving forward to the next international protectorate.

Various candidates for this status suggested themselves yesterday. David Heath (Lib-Dem. Somerion & Frome) was concerned about the protection of East Timor. MPs who joined the discussion lagged some way behind

their own logic when they argued. first, that Timor was a European responsibility (of Portugal, the former colonial power); and, second, that its hapless population faced a humanitarian catastrophe at the hands of the Indonesian Government. Apparently the most appalling massacres bave taken place: a kind of

So far MPs are arguing only for sanctions. "Cut off funds," one demanded. Ann Clywd (Lab. Cynon Valley). taking a hreak from her customary calls for Western protection for Turkish Kurds, wanted to pile the pressure on Indonesia. Nobody bas yet

suggested bombing Jakarta. Then there was southern Backbenchers Lebanon. leapt in on this argument. some accusing Israel of illegal settlements there, others more sympathetic to the Israeli quest for security. Nicholas Soames (C. Sussex Mid) wanted a new European initiative. Sir Sydney Chapman (C. Chipping Barnet) wanted action to create a "demilitarised" zone.

There were worries about the Falklands. MPs did not reach the question from Tam Dalyell (Lab. Linlithgow), inquiring about the "humanitarian objectives" of the Iraqi uofly zones (including the Kurd-

isb safe-havens). Nor did we discover what the absent Jane Griffiths (Lab. Reading E) had intended to raise in ber inquiry about "the Armenian genocide. For once, nobody asked about the bumanitarian catastrophe in Sierra Leone. The war between Hindu India and Muslim Pakistan over the governance of Kashmir, however, came up more than once.

From bis vine in the press gallery near the ceiling, this gibbon counted nine strong candidates for the status of internationally mandated protectorate".

Down on the forest floor the idea has not yet occurred.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Prisoners return to crime in two years

More than half of prisoners released from jail are reconvicted of a serious offence within two years of walking out of the prison gates, according to a Home Office study published yesterday. Among young offenders. 76 per cent are reconvicted within two years, increasing to 85 per cent of those

who were convicted of theft. Almost 75 per cent of burglars released in 1994 were reconvicted within two years one third of them for the same offence. There is little difference between reconviction rates of prisoners or those given probation or supervision orders Letters, page 23

More complain about solicitors

Complaints to the Office for the Supervision of Solicitors are at a record level. From September 1997 to December 1998, there were 41,380, which Peter Ross, Office director, said was "jeopardising our ability to protect the public". It is six months before complaints are allocated to a case worker - a delay likely to double by 2000.

Lawrence man

David Norris, 22. of Chisle-

hurst, Kent, a suspect in the Stephen Lawrence murder. was granted bail by Sevenoaks magistrates, charged with taking 32 cases of empty soda syphons worth £224 on Monday. He will appear in court next month with Jamie Acourt, another Lawrence sus-pect, and Danny Caetano, 23.

Man faces 15 sex assault charges

Sidney Cooke, 72, a former fairground worker, appeared before a judge at Reading Crown Court yesterday to face charges of serious sexual assaults on children and adults. He faces a total of 15 charges relating to offences that he allegedly committed between 1972 and 1980. He was remand-

'is weeks away'

about 1.200 shipbuilders, would take time to finalise.

Nine out of ten NHS trusts do not check the qualifications claimed by the locum doctors they employ and only one in five asks about criminal convictions. according to the Audit Commission. The consequence is that 35 per cent of all hospitals found locums were responsible for mistakes or

appears in court

ed in custody.

Swan Hunter confirmed yes-terday that it had moved to take over the threatened Kvaerner Govan yard in Glasgow, but that a deal is still weeks away. Norman Brownless, the Swan Hunler commercial manager, said a formal takeover of the yard, which employs

NHS fails to check locums

poor performance last year.

Pressure grows on Woodhead

Pressure on Chris Woodhead, the Chief Schools Inspector. mounted when Derek Foster. Chairman of the Commons Education and Employment Select Committee, said that he should be dismissed. The La-bour MP considered confi-dence in Mr Woodhead had been too damaged by allega-tions of an affair with a pupil

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on climate change in Kyoto. Japan. two years ago in the face of stiff opposition from the United States and the world's. oil industry.

Britain should not replay its historical mistakes with such technologies as liquid crystal displays and the development

gene-altered crops to its role in

helping to broker agreements

of the computer, he told MPs. It should not miss out on a new industry and the prosperity and jobs that will arise, especially given the country's role in developing much of the ba-

tions that preserved the envi-Professor May said that his views were "shades of grey rather than crisp black and white, which characterises far too much of the debate on GM foods and agriculture".

Some fears seemed mis-placed, he said. Some scienplaced. he said. Some scalinists and wildlife groups had given warnings that genes from crops resistant to herbicides and inserts could cross with wild plants to create superweeds. But 25,000 trials worldwide, including many in the United States, had failed to find evidence of that.



First signs of a thaw between between Lady Thatcher and Sir Edward Heath appeared in 1998 when they shared a Tory conference platform. Full story, Page 1

potential rather than the prof-MPs warned of terror virus

TERRORISTS may be creat-Ing genetically engineered vi-ruses to spread deadty diseases through civilian popula-tions, MPs were told yester-day (Nick Nuttall writes). Professor Sir Robert May. Tony Blair's scientific adviser said: "I have little doubt that in Iran and Iraq people are thinking about doing nasty things." Sir Robert, giving evidence

to the House of Commons Environment Audit Select Committee, said that to those in chemistry. developments such as nuclear power could be used for good or evil. Genetic engineering had a similar potential for misuse to nuclear weapons or chemical or biological weapons.

This whole technology could be bent to terrorist normally "self-limiting".

the nastiness of viruses," said Sir Robert, who stressed that this had nothing to do with genetically modified crops.

He said, bowever, that creating a virus able to kill enough people to make it worthwhile for a terrorist or enemy government, was difficult, as such diseases were

aims ... you could beef up

AA faces queue of windfall drivers

THE AA is facing a stampede of carpetbaggers hoping to pick up a minor windfall if the motoring organisation is sold (Fraser Nelson writes).

The AA, which sells full membership from £43 a year, is understood to have received takeover approaches from Ford and other companies of-

fering up to £1.5 hillion.
If it agrees, its 4.4 million members - who srill officially own the company - would receive payouts ranging be-tween E230 and E340 each.

However, the AA's 5.2 miltion second-tier members, who are covered by their company or under somebody else's policy, would not receive a penny. The AA yesterday refused to comment on yesterday's re-port in The Times that it had

been contacted by a series of companies about a takeover. it said it has no reason to alter its policy of granting full membership status to any motorist who takes out personal cover on an individual basis. It said: "People should join

the AA today for the same reason they would have yesterday: getting a first-class break-

Straw's Scouser joke backfires

BY RUSSELL JENKINS

ical view about Liverpool peo-

Trevor Hicks, chairman of

the Hillsborough Family Support Group, said that the com-

ments were an insult to the

people of Liverpool. "It does

not help the reputation of the

people of Merseyside whether

it was said off the cuff or not."

hailed a reduction in crime in

recent years, and the city coun-

cil announced plans yesterday to spend £300.000 on rebrand-

ing the city's image. The Liber-

al Democrats, who control the council, believe that the city is

still suffering from two dec-

Mr Straw moved swiftly to make his peace with Mersey-

siders, claiming that as an Es-

sex man he was usually the

He said: "I was just talking

to residents in Milton Keynes

about the excellent alley gate

by the hard work that many lo-

cal people had done to ensure

that the scheme was a success.

Burglary rates in the area

have fallen significantly."

'I was extremely impressed

ades of Labour rule.

butt of jokes.

project I had seen.

Merseyside Police has

JACK STRAW provoked anger on Merseyside last night when he told an audience discussing anti-crime measures that Scousers were always up

The Home Secretary made the remarks at a question and answer session in Milton Keynes on the Government's Crime Reduction Bill. Referring to the Alley Gate scheme in the Edge Hill area of Liverpool which uses gates around houses to deter burglars, Mr Straw said: "I was told about the alley gate scheme. I thought: 'What the devil is

"You know what Scousers are like, they are always up to something." Then he added quickly: "Please do not repeat that to anyone from Liverpool."

He was forced to apologise later when senior figures on Merseyside accused him of peddling ancient prejudices and tired stereotypes. Mike Storey, Liverpool City Council leader, said: "We can all take a joke but Jack Straw must know you cannot make comments like that.

"It is an affront and offence to Liverpool. His words just re-inforce a prejudiced, stereotyp-

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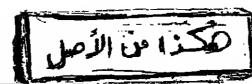
COMPETITION COMMISSION INVITES EVIDENCE ON THE SUPERMARKET MONOPOLY **INQUIRY**

John Bridgeman, Director General of Fair Trading, has asked the Competition Commission to inquire into the supply of groceries from multiple stores in the United Kingdom.

The Commission would like to hear from all interested parties, in writing, by 21st May 1999. To submit evidence

reference, please write to: Barbara Varney, Competition Commission, New Court, 48 Carey Street, London WC2A 2JT.

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Billy Bunter's weakness is no joke

erime in PEOPLE who steal down to the kitchen in the night to indulge in Billy Bunter-type feasts are not just greedy: they

could be some and a processor of psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania and an expert in eating disorders, told a conference in London yesterday that "night eating syn-drome" should be classified alongside anorexia nervosa and bulimia as a serious

iliness. Professor Stunkard, who has specialised in treating people with eating disorders for more than 40 years, said that 10 per cent of obese people and 1.5 per cent of the general population suffered from the night eaong condition. Most, but

not all, were obese. Sufferers wake three or four omes during the night and at least half the time cannot resist sneaking downstairs for biscuits or slices of cake. Between the end of dinner and breakfast, they consume half their daily intake of calories, 70 per cent in the form of carbo-

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.... in charge

On average, the sufferer will eat about 450 more calories than the recommended daily average of 2,000 for a woman and 2,500 for a man. "This is pure comfort food." Professor Stunkard told the Eating Disorders Conference. "They are eating to medicate them-

He said the illness is probably more common among men be a trigger but, unlike other than women. Stress seems to eating disorders, children and adolescents do not submit to it. The typical sufferer, he said. gets up after a bad night's

Night eating syndrome should be treated as a serious illness, an

expert says. Ian Murray reports

sleep and skips breakfast. Many still do not feel hungry enough to eat lunch, but by dinner time they begin to eat

normally. The meal, however, is little more than an hors d'oeuvre. It is only when the plates are cleared away that night eating syndrome sufferers really start to pile on the calories, trying to satisfy an almost uncontrollable craving for carbo-

hydrates. Professor Stunkard said he had carried out tests that showed that the sufferers' melatonim levels dropped at night. Melatonin is a hormone, normally secreted by the pineal gland in the brain during the night, which helps

ELVIS'S MIDNIGHT FEAST

L large lost of white bread to of becon-1 large jar of smooth peanut butter targe jar of jam Mashed bananas

The "Foot's Gold" Clant Saudvich

3 tablespoons of butter

Preheat the oven to 350 F. Spread butter generously over sides of the lost and place the bread on a beking sheet in the oven for 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, fry the bacon until it is crisp. When the lost is browned, slice lengthwise and scoop out some of the interior. Fill it with jam, peanut butter and benjame, tayered with bacon slices. Close the two halves of the loaf.

(EMs), or 8-10 servings (others) Calories: 42,000 (average

to control body rhythms, including sleep patterns. Lack of it is a cause of insomnia.

There was also a fall in levels of leptin, a hormone produced by fat cells that signal when the body has had enough to eat. A shortage means an individual does not know when to stop eating. At the same ome there was an increase in cortisol, the hormone associated with stress and depression. The night eater tries instinctively to counter this by eating carbohydrates which push up production of serotonin, the hormone that controls

mood. Professor Stunkard said that trials were needed to find out whether patients treated with melatonin -- not available in Britain - would be cured of their insomnia, thus breaking the cycle of night eat-ing. "I don't think behavioural things like putting a lock on the fridge would work," he said. "Someone with night eating syndrome would get

round that one." He first published a paper suggesting the condition might exist in 1955, but this had been ridiculed until recently, when modern research into hormones pointed to the reality of its existence. The Journal of the American Medical Association is expected to publish his new, up-to-date paper on the subject this summer, finally making the condition recognised as a genuine, separate

kind of eating disorder.

The trouble is that we don't know very much about the condition yet because it has not been properly recognised," he said, "When it is we can expect progress in treating it."



Billy Bunter was happiest when his stomach was full, day or night. Night eaters probably eat only one meal a day

The lure of the larder looms large after dark

STUFFING and starving has always been one of the hallmarks of bulimic patients and they often supplement the periods of starvation by inducing vomiting and purga-tioo. A variant of this behaviour is the night-eating syndrome.

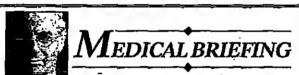
Sufferers barely look at food throughout the day but when they return home and supper is cleared away, they empty the refrigerator, and possibly the deep freeze too. They gorge mostly on sweet carbohydrates: cakes, biscuits

Although the habit of night eatiog has been little described, doctors have, for as long as I can remember. been aware that there are patients who do this.

Diana, Princess of Wates. was well known as someone who was apt to raid the larder when the rest of the bouse was asleep, but a more notorious sufferer from night-eating syndrome was Robert

As a young man, the former chief of Mirror Groop Newspapers remained comparatively svelte. but as he grew older he suddenly started to pot on huge amounts of weight, despite a modest appetite throughout the day.

The scenes of gluttony that greeted his cleaners when they came to clear up the chairman's kitchen at The Mirror next morning are still described. Apparently two or



three chickens which he had reduced to bones were left lying around and had served the same role as that of a cup of hot chocolate for an earlier. generation in their-battle against night starvation.

Elvis Presley was another who reserved his excesses for the night by the early 1970s his weight had ballooned to 20 stone because of speciacular evening binges. He would eat nothing for most of the day, and then enjoy a breakfast fit for a king about 5 or 6pm. This involved butter-



Robert Maxwell was a notorious night eater

milk cakes and the "sweet treats" of fried white bread and jam sandwiches first made for him by his mother. But by the early hours of the morning his cravings became

Midoight flights regularly arrived at Graceland, bearing obliging chefs to cook him fried peanut butter and hanana sandwiches or the in-famous "Fool's Gold" loaf. He could eat two of these at a sitting, even after snacks of hamburgers and pizza. Be-fore morning he may have consumed up to 100,000 calo-ries, equivalent to the daily

needs of an Asian elephant. Bulimia is likely to be assopsychiatric disturbance than anorexia nervosa. Whether night-eating syndrome de-serves to be classified as a distinct entity is uncertain, but a description of the behavioural pattern and any associated physical changes is useful. It is onlikely that one simple remedy will cure this problem. These patients may well be rather disturbed and need

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Rigging claim scuppers hearing

By A CORRESPONDENT

A NAVAL trial in Portsmouth was abandoned because the Navy's Chief Prosecutor. Commander Nick Hawkins, allegedly told an officer's wife that he had "rigged" the prosecution evidence against her hus-

. Commander Hawkins has now left the Navy, and is currently head of the Crown Prosecuoon Service in Wiltshire. It is claimed that he made the remarks at his own retirement party, when he allegedly told Tracey Hawkes not to worry about her husband's pending

Mrs Hawkes told a hearing that Commander Hawkins had said: "He will be okay. I have rigged the case."

Mrs Hawkes's husband. Lieutenant Jonathan Hawkes. was facing charges, along with another officer, Commander Wheeler. Judge Advocate Captain David Humphrey said the behaviour of Commander Hawkins was improper and the case against Commander Wheeler had to be dropped.

Woman must pay for lovers' gifts

A WEALTHY businessman yesterday won £10,000 from his former lover as payment for every item that he bought her during their three-year re-

William Parker, 51, went to court to claim £18,000 from Helen Holdsworth, including £1.75 for a lock for her lavatory door, £25 for a garden trellis and £4 for an oil filter. The items, he said, were a loan to Miss Holdsworth, 38, because she was in financial trouble.

Miss Holdsworth, who has two children, one of whom Mr



Miss Holdsworth was

bly his, said outside the court: "My enduring concerns will be for other single mothers and their children and for the doubt which is thrown upon the possibility of constructing human personal relationships founded upon mutual trust." Mr Parker's original claim

Parker has admitted is proba-

included £1,300 for a mortgage repayment, as well as sums for car repairs and renovations to her home. Judge Bishop, agreeing the settlement at Kingston County

Court, was told that Ms Holdsworth would have to take out a loan to pay the £10,000. However Mr Parker agreed to transfer a Volkswagen Golf that he had bought from Miss Holdsworth, back into her name. The bulk of her costs have been covered by legal

Outside the court Mr Parker said that he had never been in love with Ms Holdsworth.

"I was in there for a bit of sex but I was also there to help someone in need," he said. "She agreed we would put it on a tab and she would pay me a lump sum rather than scrabbling about for £12.50. I doo't see a moral issue here."

Party shocked by MP's secret trip

Leftwinger's unofficial journey to Belgrade is likely to result in a reprimand, writes Andrew Pierce

THE left-wing Labour MP Alice Mahon will be carpeted by party bosses for a secret

trip to Belgrade without seek-Party leaders were aston-ished when the MP for Halifax disclosed details of her jour-

ney during a Commons speech in which she criticised her Government's support for Even more perplexing for the Labour leadership was the disclosure that *The Mirror*, the traditionally Labour-sup-

oon, organised and partly financed the £850 excursion. "I am not going to give fig-ures. But The Mirror paid some and I paid some. It cost me £100 to £200," said Mrs Mahon. "I never accepted any hospitality from the Serbian Government. All I took was

championed the military ac-

two cups of black coffee." Challenged about why she had not sought party permission, Mrs Mahon was emphatic: "The whips would have tried to stop me. They would at least have applied heavy pres-

While Downing Street de-fended the right of MPs to launch solo peace initiatives, Clare Short, the International Development Secretary, lik-ened critics of the war effort to those who appeased Hitler.

There were people who opposed action being taken against Hitler and I am ashamed that there are some members of the Labour Party who are saying things defending what the Serbs are doing," she said on BBC Radio 4's Woman's Hour. "They are enti-tled to say it and I am entitled

An unrepentant Mrs Ma-hon was last night already discussing plans for a second trip to Yugoslavia at a meeting at Westminster of the Committee for Peace in the Balkans, which she chairs. "I came back even



Mahon: "I only want to help the refugees"

more convinced the bombing will not work because ordinary Yugoslav families told me they will never give up," she said. But the weekend trip, accompanied by a journalist from The Mirror, which included two interviews for the state-controlled Serbian media, could well be the last.

Not only were Labour whips bemused that they were not told in advance but the Foreign Office was concerned to discover Mrs Mahon had become only the second Western MP to visit the region since the

bombs started dropping. The Foreign Office was anxious and the potential publicity premium for the propaganda-hunry Serbian authorities. One Whitehall source said: "We have to beware the risk of MPs unwittingly becoming the toast of Belgrade."

While the MP was coy about the costs. The Mirror confirmed that it paid Mrs Mahon's E584 air fare and E55 towards her hotel bill.

Piers Morgan, the Editor, said he was aware that Mrs Mahon was a bitter opponent of Tony Blair's policy. "When we were offered a visa into Yugoslavia it was too good an opportunity to miss," he said.

The MP and the journalist were taken by Serb govern-ment officials to sites damaged by bombs.

Mrs Mahon said yesterday: "I was not a help for Milose any ministers. I only want to help the refugees to go home. I would walk a million miles if I thought it would help."

> Mired in mud, page 7 Simon Jenkins, page 22 Letters, page 23



Tony Blair on a visit yesterday to Tornado crews who are flying sorties over Yugoslavia from Brüggen. Germany

Labour divided by passions of war

THE war in Kosovo has pro-duced a split on the Laboor Left that will take a long time to heal. Clare Short's denunciation of the II Labour MPs who voted against the Government in Monday's debate oo the crisis as an "absolute disgrace to the party" illustrates not just the division but the strength of feeling behind it.

In calmer times many of the eleven would be considered political soulmates of the International Development Secretary. But the passion of their opposition to Nato's actions in Yugoslavia runs as fiercely as that of fellow leftwingers con-

vinced that this is a just war. Even the closest of friends find themselves on the oppo-site sides of the fence. Alice Mahon, a vigorous critic, has her office next to her close Westminster colleague Ann Clwyd, a passionate advocate.

The divisions are partly generational. Many of those opposed to the conflict learnt their politics in the postwar era amid hopes that the au-thority of a fledgling United Nations could help preside over a new world order. Tooy Benn, the former Cabinet minister and MP for Chesterfield, and Tam Dalyell, MP for Lin-lithgow. fall broadly into that

category.
There is also a ficreely anti-American streak running through the opposition to the war, represented by George Galloway, MP for Glasgow Kelvin and Jeremy Corbyn, MP for Islington North.

Other members of the 25-strong, hard left Campaign group arguing against Nato action — including Mrs Ma-hon, MP for Halifax; Alan Simpson, MP for Notting-ham South: Llew Smith, MP for Blaenau Gwent, Audrey Wise, MP for Preston; and Neil Gerrard, MP for Walthamstow—are driven by a mixture of instinctive dislike

RAF saw civilians only after bombing

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN GIOIA DEL COLL

THE RAF confirmed yesterday that British Harriers had spotted civilian vehicles in the Kosovo convoy bombed by Nato planes last Wednesday, but said this was only after the bombing and, therefore, had no bearing on the decision by US pilots to call off the attack. Reports this week said the Harriers, carrying out daily bombing sorties over Kosovo,

had warned the lead F16 pilot that the convoy included civilians but had been ignored. "This is not true", a spokes-man said. "The Harriers arrived ... after the attack had

been suspended. They also looked at the convoy and reported that it appeared to have possible civilian vehicles amongst it. In that sense they might have contributed to reinforcing a decision to suspend the attacks pending the arrival of the AlOs". US Al0 pilots using binocu-

lars confirmed there had been civilian casualties, Nato said.

Party's wounds may not heal soon, Roland Watson writes

about the legality of Nato's operation and fears for the civilian population of Belgrade. Of the others who voted against the Government on Monday night, Bob Wareing, (Liverpool West Derby), is a long-standing friend of Serbia. Bob Marshall-Andrews

(Medway) is a maverick rath-

er than a leftwinger. Those members of the Campaign group who support the bombing tend to be younger. Many have come to politics from a background of social libertarianism rather than class conflict. They have also developed their beliefs during a time when belief in the su-

premacy of the nation-state

has taken a knocking. "We now know that the ootioo of nationhood can often be used to cloak the most appalling crimes," said one Labour MP. driven by feelings that Nato's enemies this time are fascist

Support on the Left is also dictatorship and genocide. That is the line taken by Ken

bers. Television pictures and newspaper reports of refugees that may evoke images of the Nazi Holocaust are also a critical factor among some MPs. It is noted by some observers that those MPs with a high Muslim population in

Livingstone and Harry Co-

hen, both Campaign mem-

BALKANS REBELS

The rehels, led by Tam Dalyoli (Linitingow) and Tony Bonn, (Chosterfield), were: Jereny ; Corbyn (Islington N); George Galloway (Glasgow Ketvin); Nell Gerrard (Waithamstow): Alice Ma-

hon (Halifax); Bob Mar-S); Liew Smith (Black Gwest); Bob Wareing (Liverpool W Derby); Amtrey

support the war strongly. But, Denis MacShane said the Muslims in his Rotherham constituency had put him under little or no pressure. Among the humanitarian

arguments for intervention are concerns at the rape of ethnic Albanian women. Tess-Kingham (Gloucester), a former international aid work er, told the Commons: stroogly believe we had a moral al imperative to intervene." One MP claims the conflict.

amounts to "the first socialist" war". He says: "This is a Christian alliance going to war with a Christian country in defence of Muslims and to help defeat totalitarianism and genocide. These are the kind of values that brought many ofus into the movement."

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Nervous start for Nato new boys

Central European

recruits may
soon regret they

signed up, writes
Roger Boyes

THE thump of Nato bombs battering Subotica, six miles from the Hungarian border, has brought home the price of alliance membership for the new entrants — Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic.

As the Kosovo war rages on.

e new boys are looking nervous. Participating in the Nato club was sold to their electorates as a relatively painless route to modernisation, as an affirmation of Western values and as a way of securing societies against an unstable, unpredictable Russia.

Instead, only weeks after signing up, Hungary finds itself on the front line, the Poles see an already hostile Belarus drawing closer to both Russia and Serbia, and the Czechs are wortied that investor sentiment will turn against Central Europe and endanger the far more attractive goal of European Union membership.

Nato's 50th birthday celebrations this week were supposed to put the new members in the spotlight and present a fresh strategic vision for the post-Cold War era. Now the new partners are wondering what they have got themselves into and Nato is wondering whether its "open-door policy" to-rards Eastern candidates really amounts to a strategy at all. Most worried of all are two

Most worried of all are two countries on Nato's waiting list, Bulgaria and Romania. Ivan Kostov, the Bulgarian Prime Minister, heads for Brussels today to ask for "additional security guarantees"



Feeling the strain: Albanian children go home from school carrying a box of food sent by aid organisations to help families who have taken in refugees from Kosovo

my for Vojvodina should Kos-

ovo gain independence. The Hungarian border zone, in oth-

er words, is likely to stay unstable for a long time. Budapest's

contribution to the Nato cam-

paign is correspondingly low. The Czechs have reacted

churlishly to the air attacks.

While President Havel sup-

ports the war. Milos Zeman.

the Prime Minister, and Va-

clay Klaus, the House Speak-

er, have expressed doubts and

criticised Nato sympathisers as "warmongers". Czechs

were the least enthusiastic of

the Central Europeans about

Nato membership, partly be-

cause of the lukewarm attitude

from Nato. Bulgaria has opened its airspace for Nato strikes on Serbia and is coming under heavy criticism from the Socialist opposition; the popular mood is turning against the war and against the Government. Every day the country is losing nearly El million.

Romania, too. is suffering, above all from the blocking of the Danube; every week of the war it is losing £6.2 million in export earnings. If this is the price of Nato eventually accepting Romania, it is a high one, paid well in advance. Romania is trying very hard to make the grade. Its soldiers now double-march to a US Marine chant which has been adapted to say: "Green leaves on a noble trunk, I am a gendarme,

a proud man, We are the gendarmerie, Protecting democracy." This may not qualify for any big musical awards but it does underline the effort being put behind every aspect of Eastern Europe's military adaptation to the alliance.

As Janusz Onyszkiewicz, the Polish Defence Minister, says: "You can't change your geography but you can change your geopolitics." That means, in the Polish case, shifting bases from the west of Poland to the east, teaching officers English, kitting up soldiers with Western equipment, trimming the army from 220,000 to 180,000 and raising its professional component. That costs money and even taking into account Nato co-financing of the infra-

structural improvements, Poland and the other new allies are in deficit. Airbases are being converted into golf courses, nuclear bunkers into wine cellars to help to pay the bills.

The sums add up for the new boys only if Nato membership brings a swift improvement in their security. For Hungary that seems far from certain. There are 300,000 ethnic Hungarians in the Vojvodina region of north Yugoslavia; they are terrified that Budapest might beat the Nato drum too loudly and turn Serb wrath against them once the Kosovo killing has stopped.

Novi Sad, populated by

Novi Sad, populated by Serbs and Hungarians, has come under almost daily bombardment and any association with Nato draws contempt.
There are irredentists in Hungary who would want autonoThere were always two po-

There were always two potential crises facing an enlarged Nato: a spreading Balkan war, and a post-Yeltsin succession crisis thrusting Russian nationalists into uncomfortable prominence. The new members were not sufficiently prepared for their alliance role in these crises and they are increasingly uneasy.

A Kosovo war that ends up redrawing frontiers will profoundly destabilise the region. There are ethnic Bulgarians in eastern Serbia, and Serbs and Hungarians in Romania. "The place is a proverbial powder keg and it could just blow up under Nato's southern flank," says a German mili-

tary analyst in Bonn. "If, for example, Kosovo is partitioned, the Kosovo Albanian part will not be viable and will have to integrate economically with Abbania proper. That, in turn, will put unbearable pressure on Macedonia. Greece — a Nato member — cannot be untouched by that."

Nato's open-door policy towards Eastern Europe, to be celebrated in Washington this week, has never looked more untenable.

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Budapest: President Göncz of Hungary will not be taking part in the Nato summit in Washington, his spokesman said, citing reasons of protocol. The delegation will be headed by the country's Prime Minister (AFP)

Britain set for refugee intake

By RICHARD FORD HOME CORRESPONDENT

THE first refugees from the war in Kosovo are expected to arrive in Britain on Friday, the Government announced last

A group of 120 refugees, mainly women and children, will be flown from Macedonia under the United Nations' humanitarian evacuation plans. They include single parents under difficulties in the camps and others who cannot care for themselves.

themselves.

Another 18 refugees in need of medical treatment, and their 121 dependents, are also to be flown to the UK.

Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, said: "We have made clear that we stand by to respond positively to requests from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, to take displaced persons from Kosovo on a temporary basis."

The refugees will arrive at Stansted airport and regional airports before being placed in reception centres run by the Refugee Council. They will then be moved into permanent accommodation.

Those arriving this week will be given permission to stay in the UK because they have close family members here, or will get 12 months' exceptional leave to enter.

BALKANS SUMMARY

Yugoslav towns emptied

Geneva: Up to a million people have left their homes in Yugoslavia to move to safer, rural areas as Nato airstrikes continue, the International Red Cross Said. Towns in the southeast of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia have become homes for people who have left their own communities, and Red Cross workers believe op to 50,000 displaced people could arrive in Vranje if the situation continues to deteriorate. (AP)

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Belgrade: One person was killed and two hurt in a Nato airstrike on Pristina as at least 20 explosions were heard in the Kosovo capital yesterday, the state news agency Tanjug reported. The dead and injured were at an administration building, in the Pristina suburb of Grmija, which was hit by a missile. Slatina airport and a coalmine were also targeted. (AFP)

Airport inspected

Prague: A group of US Air Force specialists inspected an international civilian airport at Mosnov, northern Moravia, which may be used to station Nato KC135 refuelling planes to help with airstrikes against Yugoslavia. The Czech Government has asked parliament to allow the use of its airports and both chambers are due to discuss the issue today. (AP)

US holds soldier

Massachusetts: The US has taken custody of a Yugoslav army officer captured by the KLA, the White House said. He was captured last Wednesday near Junik and delivered to the Albanian Government before being turned over to the US military. He is in good condition and will receive visits from the Red Cross and religious counsellors. (AFP)

young state at risk of inferno

Old scores put

IF THE Kosovo war leads to the collapse of Macedonia. Europe will be faced with a general conflagration in the southern Balkans with fighting and instability lasting well into the next century.

next century.

With every week the war goes on, the danger grows. The fear is that the huge influx of Albanian refugees will alter the country's delicate ethnic balance, inflame tensions between the Serbs, Macedonians and Albanians and provoke bloody massacres. A Macedonian civil war could suck in Albania. Serbia, Greece, Bulgaria and even Turkey and would unleash an orgy of killing and

the settling of ancient scores.

This is why the main aim of President Milosevic is to swamp his southern neighbour with Kosovan Albanians. This is why the normally tolerant Government in Skopje has behaved so harshly towards the refugees and tried to stop their influx. This is why the West is terrified that a proserb uprising would throw Macedonia back into the arms of Mr Milosevic and deprive Nato of the only viable land base on which to mass troops.

Macedonia has been in the eye of the storm for almost a century. Both the 1912 and 1913 Balkan wars were fought over control of Macedonia, and the outcome arguably provoked the fatal shot that triggered the First World War. Bismarck once said: "Those who control the valley of the River Vardar in Macedonia are the masters of the Balkans." That is still true today.

true today.

The country is without clear borders, identity, historical legitimacy or even an agreed name. Officially still known as the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, it has, since independence, been locked in argument with Greece over its claim to the ancient historical name, which it shares with northern Greece.

This dispute marred the birth of modern Macedonia in 1992, when it opted reluctantly for independence with a fragmented population and a dubious economic outlook. The virulent hostility of Athens, culminating in a trade and transit blockade, may have temporarily forged a national consensus, but it almost strangled

Macedonia from the start.
Ironically, relations with Greece have improved so far and so fast that Skopje is now dependent on its southern neighbour for economic and political underpinning. Greek and Macedonian negotiators have reportedly achieved a breakthrough on the name—10 be changed to Macedonia-

Tension in south Balkans could

continue into next

century, writes
Michael Binyon

Skopje. Greek sources say that Athens will sign a treaty when the political atmosphere is

With a population of only two million, today's Macedonia was largely an invention of the late President Tito, separated from southern Serbia to weaken Serb dominance in a federal Yugoslavia. Under the communists, the Albanian minority of 25 per cent was badly treated. Since independence, they have had more rights and freedome.

But underlying tensions re-main. The Orthodox Macedonians, whose language is virtu-ally indistinguishable from Bulgarian, and a small number of Serbs hate and despise the Muslim Albanians. They see them as a fifth column, scheming to create a greater Albania. The Albanians, in turn, see Macedonia as part of a Slav-Orthodox plot to crush their identity. There is strong support for the Kosovo Liberation Army, and tonnes of weapons were smuggled into Albanian hands in western Macedonia after weapons stores were looted during the 1996 Albanian civil war. Unlike 1912 or 1913, when

the neighbouring countries fought each other for control of this remnant of the Ottoman empire, the surrounding governments know the cost of provoking trouble. Greeks and Bulgarians have both historically coveted the territory. But today Athens and Sofia are committed to keeping existing Balkans borders. They have offered moral and mater-

are committed to keeping existing Balkans borders. They have offered moral and material support to the Government of Ljupco Georgievski, dominated by moderate nationalists. But Serbia has a different agenda; and Albania, riven by instability, has little to lose by intervention.

The real danger is not outside meddling but internal collapse. If the majority fears a permanent increase in the Albanian population, it would look to Serbia for protection. It might also turn on the Albanians, with massacres that could draw in neighbours in an attempt to protect their ethnic kinsmen. A civil war would be even bloodier than the one in Bosnia. The region cannot afford a third Balkans war.

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Americans meet their match in Albania's mudbath

THE age-old scourge of European battlefields has returned to havint US troops arriving in Albania. They are attempting to set up camp in a mudbath.

a mudbath.

The 3,000 ground troops sent to Tirana to prepare for the arrival and use of Apache-helicopters have been severe-

ly hampered by the quagmire. The US Army has been attempting to set up a hase from where it can operate missile launchers and despatch helicopters on missions to hunt Serb tanks and troops. But officers are concerned that heavy rain has created a scene reminiscent of the trenches in the First World War.

The sheep pasture in which Task Force Hawk is

attempting to work has been renamed "Mud World".
Trucks and missile launchers have become mired in ditches as troops struggle, and fail, to keep their feet in a sea of mud.

Few troops have failed to

Few troops have failed to became caked in muck which, in the absence of adequate laundry facilities, has Soldiers meet ancient scourge

of armies, writes **Damian**

Whitworth

to be left to dry before being scraped off with penknives. Urgent requests have been made for fresh supplies of rubber boots. Drainage ditches have

become rivers and wading to the washrooms is pointless; once clean, the troops immediately become filthy again on the way back. "If we had a choice between a bath and gravel, we'd take gravel because by the time you get back from a bath, you're smashed again in mud," one officer said. "I've been in the military d. "I've been in the military d. "ever seen," said another.

An American contractor has been called in to spread gravel in order to provide

firm ground on which the missile launchers and the helicopters can stand. The 18 Multiple Launch Rocket Systems can fire short and medium-range missiles at Serb forces; the helicopters, flying close to the ground, will then attack with Hellfire laser-guided missiles, rockets

The helicopters, which have been at the centre of controversy because it has taken more than two weeks to deploy them from Germany, are expected to begin flying in a week, despite the conditions. "There are high levels of mud. They [the troops] are contending with it and we will have the Apaches ready soon." Willaim Cohen, the US Defence Secretary, said. Nicosia: Greek Cypriot students walked out of their classes, marched to the United States Embassy and hurled eggs at the building to protest against the bombing. About 2,000 students walked placents and chanted

waved placards and chanted slogans saying "Nato, killer of children," and "Stop the bombing." (AP)

Prophets' visions comfort Belgrade



The superstitious Serbs are turning to seers who forecast the US will split in two over the conflict, **Tom Walker** writes

BILL CLINTON'S political career is over and America will shortly split in two. Serbs were assured yesterday in one of their favourite occult magazines. Twilight Zone. As the Nato bombardment drags on into its fifth week, residents of the capital are looking for alternative worlds in which to live, and soothsayers and prophets are doing brisk business.

are doing brisk business.

The television stations are eagerly embracing the effort to build a metaphysical bunker against grim reality in a nation slowly being picked apart. Spasoje Vlajic, an author and prophet, told viewers of the pro-Milosevic BK channel two nights ago that Mr Clinton is in-league with Satan, and that he has been excommunicated by his home parish in Little Rock, Arkansas.

by his home parish in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mr Vlajic has become an overnight celebrity through his uncanny ability to convert names into numbers — and strangely Clinton, Albright and Blair all somehow add up to the same figure. 666. Their evil is being countered by divine intervention, and without hesitation Mr Vlajic provided the example of the Nato bombing raid that killed 16 civilians in the southern town of Aleksina. A day later, he claimed, dozens were killed in a traffic accident in Germany.

Serbs are a superstitious lot at the best of times, and their Orthodox religion includes a vibrant dose of pagan tradition. Ancient beliefs are now being vigorously called upon, and the divine spirit most prayed to is Elijah, or Ilija, patron saint of the weather and fondly known as "Ilija the

thunder-maker. Many citizens have watched enough CNN and Sky television to know that storm clouds are normally enough to keep Nato's iron vultures at bay.

Books on Nostradamus are being snapped up along the Knez Mihailova shopping street, with many Serbs quoting the French physician as predicting that the Third World War will begin in June. On a similarly gloomy note, many are also recalling the 19th century sayings of Serbia's own Mitar Tarabic, who foresaw a calamitous leader plunging the nation into a honeless war and inevitable defeat, after which "there will only be enough Serbs to stand under a plum tree". Revelling in their ability to suffer like no other Europeans, many Serbs apparently enjoy the thoughts of Nostradamus and Tarabic as much as those seers closer to the regime, who vow Kosovo will never be lost.

Today's rathy gaudy equivalent of Tarabic might be the transsexual Kleopatra, formerly a male singer in a popular Bosnian truck café but in her recent and buxom incarnation one of the most respected television prophets.

sion prophets.

"Nothing good is going to happen and nothing good will happen all the way down to our great grandchildren," the towering blonde, who packs a pistol in her handbag, said in Twilight Zone. But Kleopatra, an acquaintance of President Milosevic's wife, Mira, knows on which side her bread is buttered and assured readers that after Kosovo peace talks "the President will stay in power."

Factory boss scoffs at 'anti-rich' raids

FROM TOM WALKER IN BELGRADE

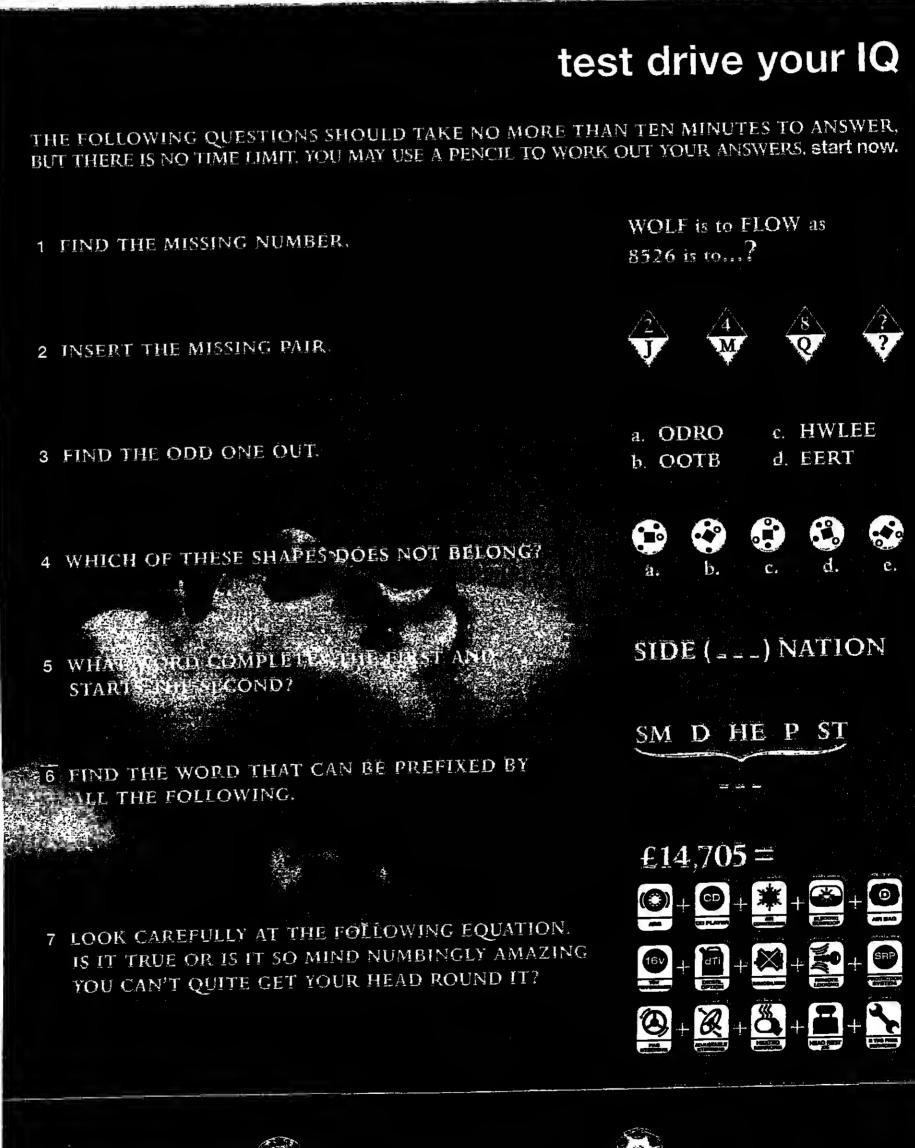
A DIRECTOR of a Serbian faclory destroyed by airstrikes yesterday rejected Nato claims that it is weakening the regime of President Milosevic by blowing up state assets. The alliance says that the action is hitting his inner circle in the

One of the biggest industrial plants levelled by Nato is the Zastava car and lorry complex in Kragujevac, central Serbia. Anonymous Nato officials, who say that many state companies are controlled by those close to Mr Milosevic, cite Milan Beko, Zastava's director and farmerly the minister

"This is unbelievable," said Mr Beko, one of Serbia's more flambuoyant entrepreneurs. last night. "You can't punish the 38,000 workers of Zastava just because someone is alleged to be close to the President. In that case Nato should say it is fighting Yugoslavia because of Milosevic, and not for humanitarian

causes."
Opposition figures in Belgrade also ridiculed the Nato claim. "If they really want to destroy assets of the inner circle, they should bomh a couple of banks in Switzerland and on the Cayman Islands," an independent journalist said.

They pointed out that many Belgrade eite are already fantastically rich by Serbian standards and that grip an power would enable them to switch quickly from assets left moribund by Nato to more fertile profit opportunities.





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News at Six to cover regions in 12 seconds

The BBC's Six O'Clock News is to include regional headlines for the first time in its history to counter claims that it is London-biased and to quell anger over its refusal to grant Scotland its own separate news.

When the programme is relaunched next month the opening headlines will carry 12 seconds of news from Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the English regions. The headlines will be updated halfway through the programme and there will be regional weather and sports reports.

Huw Edwards, a Welshman, has been picked to anchor the new Six O'Clock News, beating candidates such as Anna Ford, Martyn Lewis and Jill Dando, in a move which some interpret as a response to devolution.

But the new format is unlikely to appease those who argued for a "devolved" Six O'Clock News. One BBC Scotland source said: "This is almost worse than nothing. Do those making the decisions in London not realise that a few seconds of headlines is a little bit patronising?"

A spokesman for the Scot-tish National Party added: This is tokenistic and minimalist. It sounds like a pretty messy package which will end up pleasing nobody. The big mistake the BBC made was in 'Devolution' at

the BBC is attacked as

patronising, writes Carol

Midgley

denying the Scottish people their own Six O'Clock News. It is no good now just cobbling something together."
Professor Lindsay Paterson,

a member of the Broadcasting Council for Scotland, resigned in disgust at the decision by the BBC governors not to allow a "Scottish Six". Eleven presenters, including Kenny McIntyre, BBC Scotland's poliocal editor, and Ruth Wishart, a presenter of Woman's Hour, have accused the BBC of failing to keep pace with policical change.

All viewers will see Mr Edwards introduce the main headlines. The focus will then for 12 seconds of local news, before returning to London. Another update from the regions, lasting a few seconds, will follow at 6.15pm.

Mark Popescu, Editor of the Six O'Clock News, said yestergramme would give more status to stories from Scotland. Wales and Northern Ireland. He said he did not think it was his place to say whether there should be a "Scottish Six".

But he added: "I'm not surprised that people feel we have a metropolitan bias. The other night there were 16 stories on the Six O'Clock News and 12 of them were brought to-gether in London. I think that unacceptable.

"We want to relate to people's lives better. We are going to be more in touch and less institutional. We are building a new relationship with

our regional outlets."
The BBC will also attempt to win back some of the ground it has lost in the coverage of sport recently by including a new Friday sports section within the bulletin, presented by Helen Rollason.

Ms Rollason, who is fight-ing cancer, is to preview the weekend sport in a five-minute

A new set is being built for the Six O'Clock News which, Mr Popescu said, would dispense with its traditional blue, which research has shown is regarded by the public as cold and distant. A new theme tune is being written by David Lowe for the relaunch



Peter Baxter, producer of Test Match Special, said that the South African Cricket Board had "fobbed off" the BBC

Radio 4 loses winter cricket tour

By Carol Midgley MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE BBC last night claimed that it was frozen out of the bidding for radio rights to the England cricket team's tour of South Africa and Zimbabwe this winter. In a blow to BBC Sport, Radio 4's Test Match Special was trumped by the commercial station Talk Radio for the five-Test series. It will be the first time that ball-by-ball commentary has been

carried by a commercial station.

The BBC, which has been accused of throwing in the towel" on television sports coverage, said that it had not been allowed to enter the commercial to the comm allowed to enter the competition. Insiders said that the Talk Radio offer was so high that the South African Cricket Board did not consider any others.

"There was no open bidding process," a BBC spokesman said. "We were trying for months but the South African Cricket Board did not respond to our calls. It's very disappointing, but we are not seeing it as the end of the world."

Peter Baxter, the producer of Test Match Special, said: "Our negotiator was trying for months to secure these rights but was rather fobbed off. But we still have two years of our contract with the English Cricket Board, the World Cup and four Tests after that."

Last year Channel 4 outbid the BBC

for rights to English Test Cricket for

four years. Kelvin MacKenzie, the head of Talk Radio, which is part-owned by News International, owner of The Times, said: "I personally approached the rights agent who did the deal. It was straightforward. I thought I was competing against the BBC. The fact that they didn't turn up for the fight is a problem they should be dealing with internally."

Talk Radio's commentary team for the

five Tests and the one-day triangular tournament against South Africa and Zimbabwe will comprise the former England cricketers Geoffrey Boycott, John Emburey and Phil Tufnell.

Rivals oppose fee for digital TV

BY RAYMOND SNODDY, MEDIA EDITOR

have combined to attack a pro-posal for an extra licence fee for digital television.

A charge of up to £35 a year, on top of the existing £101, is one of four options suggested by the BBC to a panel that is considering ways to increase the corporation's revenue.

The BBC Funding Review

Panel, chaired by Gavyn Dav-ies, a multimillionaire City economist, is believed to be sympathetic to the idea of a separate licence for receiving

In a letter to The Times toay, commercial broadcasters say they are "strongly opposed" to the idea. The signatories, from companies including Granada and Carlton, argue that everyone from the Government to the electronics industry has worked to give the UK a world lead in developing digital television.

The introduction of a higher digital licence fee would

COMMERCIAL broadcasters threaten the enormous pro-

gress made so far," they say.
"We therefore urge both the
BBC Funding Review Panel
and the Government to reject this idea, which would hinder the development of digital tele-vision and operate against the UK's wider industrial inter-

The three other ways of increasing revenue suggested by the BBC are raising the licence fee by more than the increase in the retail price index; linking the licence fee to gross domestic product; and requiring a licence for every set, rather

The BBC said it was "neutral" on which proposal was chosen, but noted that a digital licence fee would bring "buoyancy" to licence fee revenue for a generation. The more people who subscribed to digital television, the more money the BBC would receive.

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BBC job

By Andrew Pierce

THE MP and former BBC journalist Martin Bell yes terday led an attempt at Westminster to stop the mik lionaire Labour Party donor Greg Dyke from becoming the next Director-General of the corporation.

Mr Bell, the Independent member for Tatton, was at the top of a cross-party list of MPs that tabled an early day motion criticising Mr Dyke's candidacy. The former BBC governor Shahwar Sadeque also publicly disputed whether Mr Dyke had the credentials to run a public service broadcaster.

Mr Dyke, the chairman of Pearson Television, was encouraged to let his name go forward for the post by Downing Street, Sir Chris-topher Bland, the BBC chairman, and Chris Smith, the Culture Secretary. He has donated £50,000 to the Labour Party since 1994 after helping to fund Tony

Blair's campaign for the par-ty leadership that year.

The early day motion praised the contribution that Mr Dyke, a key figure at London Weekend Television in the 1980s, has made try, but said "his substantial financial donations to the Labour Party render him in-Director-General."

Peter Ainsworth, the Shadow Culture Secretary, called on Mr Dyke to withdraw from the race. "It will remove the governors from the invidious position of having to assess a candidam ing to assess a candidate who has been pushed for the job by the Prime Minister," he said.

Mr Sadeque, a BBC governor from 1990 until 1995, said: "The Director-General has the most important job to ensure there is no political interfereoce . . . It is difficult to see how Greg Dyke can demonstrate the impartiality which is necessary."



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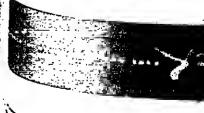
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Ginseng revives Dyke flagging Prince Out of at Seoul feast

FROM ALAN HAMILTON IN SEOUL

THE Queen was introduced vesterday to ginseng, a prized potion said to reduce blood pressure and improve stami-

She was served it for dinner. but at the end of a long day it was the Duke of Edinburgh who looked most in need of its restorative powers.

Ginseng, served with cucumber and mustard sauce, was the first item on the menu at last night's state banquet here. The Queen remained alert and active after a day of greeting huge and admiring crowds, but the ored-eyed Duke nodded precariously close to the dinner table while his wife

State Banque Blue Mouse Senui April 20, 1000 Fresh ginseng and cucumber with mustard sauce

Pine-nut porridge Steamed sea-bream with five toppings Casserole Shin-Sul-Ro (beef and vegetables, traditionally served to a king).

Broiled beef ribs and fresh vegetables Steamed rice and beef soup Fresh fruit

was making her keynote speech. He seemed to revive somewhat once he had consumed his magical starter.

On the second day of her state visit, the Queen found herself the object of adulation by virtually the entire student body of the world's largest all-female university. It was in the sharpest contrast to a visit she made several years ago to the campus at Aberystwyth, when hostile Welsh-speaking students forced her, for one of the few times in her reign, to cut short an engagement.

They are not so curmudg-eonly in South Korea, where the visit has been accorded such high importance by the Government, that even last week's dress rehearsal took precedence on the television news over a state visit by President Mubarak of Egypt. After the formalities of the first day. yesterday was for the crowds.

In case it was all 100 much, the Queen's tour of Ewha Women's University included a laboratory where scientists were distilling ginseng to try to discover the secret of its restorative properties. The Queen showed interest, but did not sample it. They gave her a box to take away.

Over a carefully screened cup of tea, the Queen met some of the university's notable graduates including Im Eun Joo, 33, who is the world's first internationally qualified woman football referee, and Byun Young Joo, a film director. "We have just been seeing all the films about you on television, including your life story." Miss Byun said eag-erly. "I'm afraid that's rather a

long story," the Queen, 73 today, replied.

Even greater crowds, primed by a torrent of advanced media publicity. packed the narrow canyon of Insa-Dong, a traditional Seoul shopping street, as the Queen went walkabout. Police strug-gled to clear a path and curi-ous faces peered from every upstairs window.

At a calligraphy shop she was presented with a scroll and two traditional seals with owl moofs. Across the street she visited a ceramics shop, signed her name on a white china plate with a calllgraphy brush and came away with a gift of a handsome white tea pot. Then to a dress shop selling traditional outfits. There they gave her a turquoise shawl which she put on but declined an invitation to look at herself in the mirror. "No. 1

know that I look very nice." she said rather charmingly. The shawl was added to the Outside she met Kim Back-Soon, a member of a local cultural preservation society attired in the extremely elabo-

rate dress, complete with mas-

sive black wig, of a Korean queen of the Yi dynasty. By

contrast, the Head of the Commonwealth looked like an ordinary lady on a shopping trip.

Gifts are not all one way. however. Yesterday the Queen made her host President Kim Dae Jung an honorary Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath, and gave him a pair of silver-framed photographs and a 19th-century print of

Cambridge, where the President spent some time.

The state visit is largely about trade but there is much recognition of Britain's part in the Korean War, which has left the peninsula divided for nearly half a century. At the state banquet given by President Kim last night the Queen referred to current events nearer home. "At a time when hostiliões are again very much on our minds in Europe, we in Britain recall that some 87,000 British servicemen and wom-en, along with military contingents from other Commonwealth countries, fought in

those three years of the Kore-

an War, many as part of the

Commonwealth Division. We

must never forget that 1.078 made the ulomate sacrifice." Porn warning: The Duke of Edinburgh, saying that clever crooks and peddlers of por-nography were exploiting the Internet, urged South Korea's business leaders to ensure that managers were also grounded in ethics and morality. (PA)



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gree as great as the Queen's.
since Mongol emperors ate
the "king of herbs" in search
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4,000 years ago. Then as now it is a symbol of Korea, but it has been much coveted by the Chinese for the effects of its Yang energy, some of which have now Its name is derived from

the Chinese for "man-roof" fecause its 10in fleshy white

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More than 12,000 tonnes of ginseng is produced amually, most from the damp

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GINSENG has a royal pediare harvested after six years. in 1994 a farmer pulled up a 5lin root claiming it was 600 years old. He was paid £140,000 for it in Beijing.

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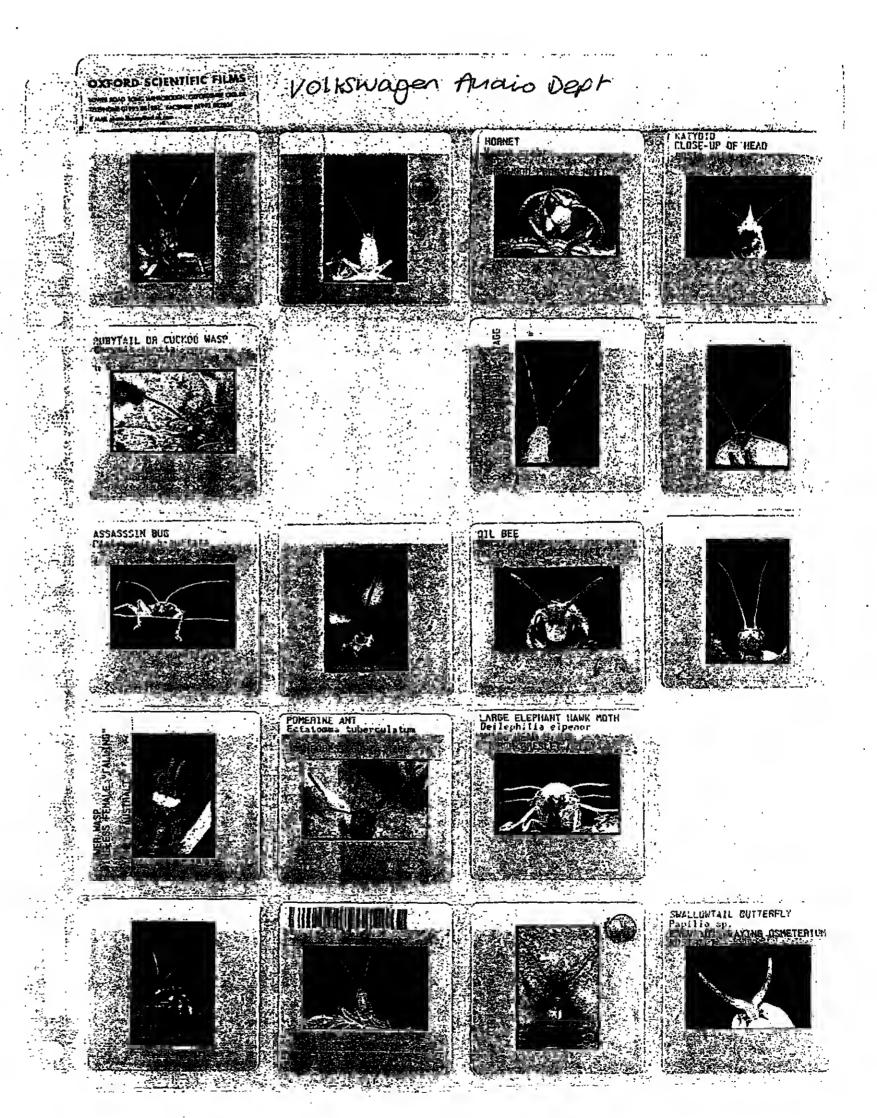
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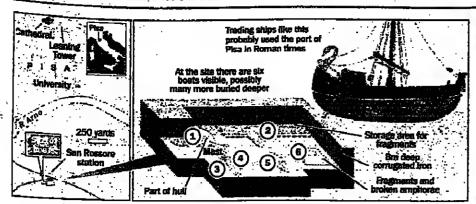
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Roman ships dug from lost Pisa harbour

Scholars are celebrating a rare insight into maritime life 2,000 years ago, reports Richard Owen in Rome

ERITISH and Italian classical scholars yesterday hailed the dscovery of eight almost per-fettly preserved Ancient Roman ships buried in the mud of what was once the harbour at Fsa as "an astonishing step back into the past" and a "rare itsight into Rome as a maritme and trading power.
One wooden ship, with an

eongated prow, is thought to have had a military purpose. "f confirmed, this will make it tle first Roman warship ever found," said Stefano Bruni. tle Tuscan archaeologist in carge of the dig.

Professor Andrew Wallace-Hadrill, director of the British Shool at Rome, said that the stips were "extremely impressve, oustandingly well preserved, and in pristine condi-tion . . . I could hardly believe tle wood before my eyes was rot modern-day wood in a nodern boat. It is as fresh as tie day the ships sank. This is avery exciting find."

He said he believed that: "erhaps a fifth of the boats have been uncovered ... there is even more to come".

Giovanna Melandri, the Ninister of Culture, said the tance. The archaeologists have uncovered a marvel, both because of the state of preserva-tion of the ships and the numbers involved ... the ancient port of Pisa has come to life before our eyes."

"The Roman fleet emerges from the mud of Pisa after two thousand years," said the headline in vesterday's La Stampa. noting that it was "extremely

men constructing a control centre at Pisa for the renovated high-speed railway line between Genoa and Rome. They were shown to the press yesterday at Pisa's San Rossore station, half a mile from

the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Reconstruction of the railway station is being held up. but railway officials said that

and fifty yards square by work-

Some may have foundered, others sunk in storms, and others went to the bottom in a flood?

rare" to find Roman ships in such numbers. They range in length from eight yards to

thirty yards.

The ships, which are be-lieved to date from the third century BC to the fifth century AD, had all been anchored in a port at the confluence of the River Arno and the River Auser near the coast. The area has since silted up, and is several miles from the present coast. The ships were discovered within an area one hundred

Elena Rossi, a leading archaeologist on the Pisa site, cleaning one of the hulls. Right, Andrew Wallace-Hadrill, director of the British School at Rome

they were under pressure to resume work despite the pros-pect of more historic finds. San Rossore will not only control high-speed traffic but serve tourists visiting Pisa dur-

ing the millennium. The Romans controlled the Mediterranean as if it was a lake," Professor Wallace-Hadrill said. They called it Mare Nostrum — Our Sea and these ships show the range of goods that was being traded in a culturally diverse

> harbour. Professor Wallace-Hadrill said the ships were in an excep-tional state of preservation because they had been encased in damp mud. To ensure they are not damaged by exposure to the air, specialists have covered the wooden remains in a layer of varnish and protected them with fibre glass. The boats will later be soaked in distilled water.

> Professor Bruni said the archaeologists had also found hundreds of amphorae that once contained fruit such as cherries and plums, and chestnuts and walnuts, as well as



One of the archaeologists recording details of the ships, described as outstandlingly well-preserved. Photographs: Chris Warde-Jones

area." He said that there were no giant grain ships of the kind that plied between Egypt and Rome among those uncovered. "I think what we are looking at here is a lagoon harbour which was probably linked to the coast by a canal. Big ships moored off the coast, and these smaller vessels unloaded goods and came up to Pisa.

They probably also plied up and down the coast. One of them has a distinctive type of sand in it which I am told comes from the Bay of Naples, suggesting that it put in at Naples to take on ballast before chugging on up here." Some of the boats used oars

while others were under sail. A mast has been found in one of them. "These are not just odd remains but whole ves-sels, with hulls, planks, wood-en pins, nails, even baskets and jars."

Professor Bruni said that the excavations were continuing. "The fleet was obviously much bigger than the eight ships found so far," he said. "We knew the site might have artefacts of archaeological value, but nothing like this." Wood spotted six yards

down in the dark grey silt turned out to be the hull of a ship. The archaeologists even found the remains of rope used to tie the boats up in the

olives, wine and oil. The jaw bone of a wild boar suggested the boats carried live animals.
"For me this is one of the
most important aspects of the
discovery." Professor Wallace Hadrill said. "We have tens of thousand of amphorae from Pompeii and other sites, but know little about what they re-ally contained. This gives you the feel of the range of goods-ferried around the Mediterranean."The dates of the amphorae provide clues to the dates

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acology at Pisa, Guglielmo Malchiodi, said it appeared that the ships had all fallen victim to a Pompen-type catastro-phe, perhaps a dash flood, which overwhelmed them." extraordinary." ing on the ships, believes that

they had all suffered different fates at different times. "Some may have foundered, others sunk in storms, and others went to the bottom in a flood," Professor Wallace-Hadrill said Roman ships had been

found before around the Medi-

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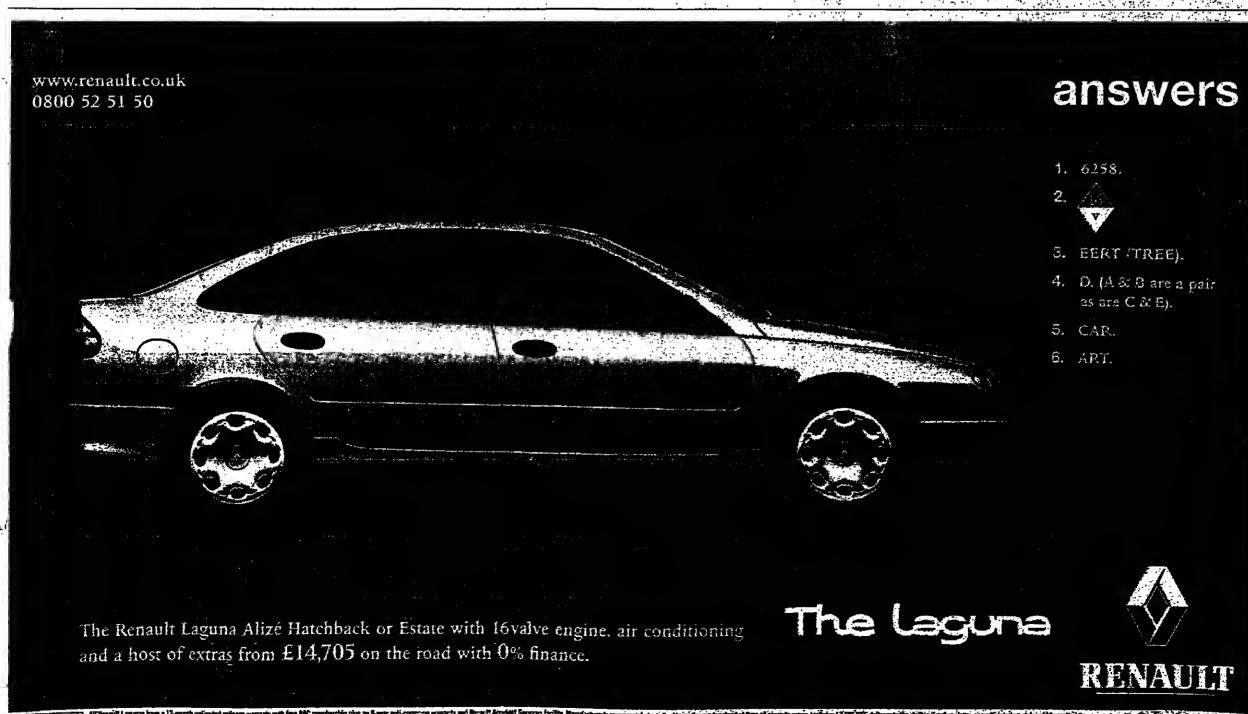
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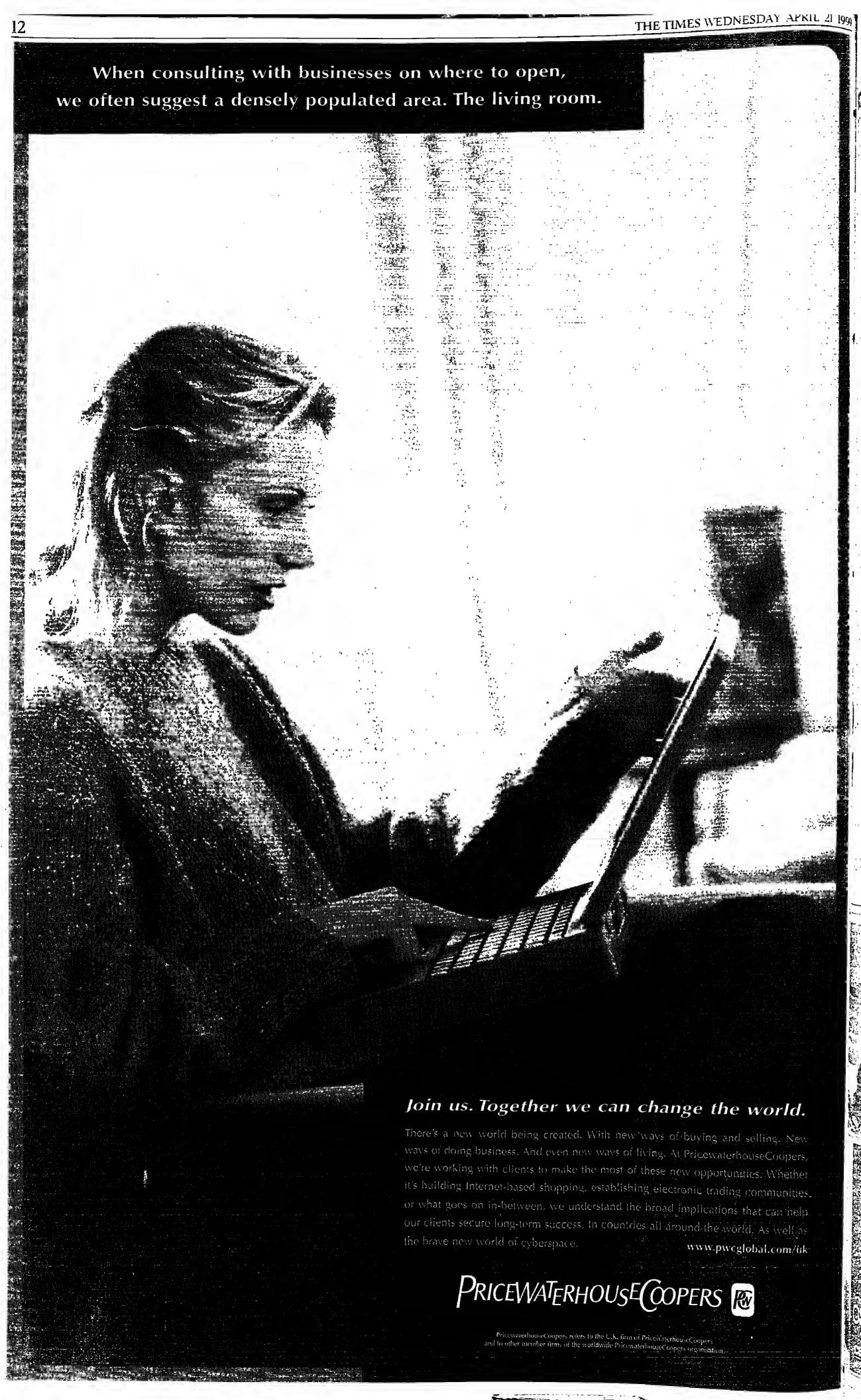
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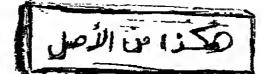
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NEWS IN BRIEF Pond gives up sunken treasure

Conservationists clearing a pond pulled out a jewellery box containing 40 pieces val-ued at £2.500, including a £1,500 diamond and ruby cluster ring. A grappling hook thrown into Coy pond, in Bournemouth, to retrieve a traffic cone snagged oo a pillow case with the box inside. The jewellery is thought to been stolen by burglars and to have been in the water for at least ten years. Police are checking their records.

Explosive fuel

Bomb disposal experts were called in to defuse a grenade that workers found io a delivery of coal to a power station on the Isle of Grain in Kent. The consignment had arrived by ship from Holland but had originated in Colombia.

Sex attack hunt

Police are to leaflet 80,000 suburban homes on the edge of East London to help them to track down a sex attacker who has seriously assaulted five children. The attacks, in sectoded areas of Woodford, Clayhill and Elm Park, begao in 1994.

Head accused

Terrence Vardon, the head of King Henry VIII School. Coventry, was charged with possessing indecent photographs of children. A teacher at the school, John Skermer, has also been accused over child photographs. The cases are oot linked.

More depressed The number of people who

went to see their doctor with depression more than doubled from four millioo to tine millioo between 1994 and 1998, according to a report by IMS Health. Menwere more liable to suffer from it than women.

Elvis surprise

A non who played two unlakelied metal records he bought in Memphis in 1968 found they were Elvis Presley's That's All Right, his first single, and Mystery Train. Graham Knight, of Aberdeen, believes they are master copies worth £20,000

Seabed odyssey

Brian Lodey decided that a lobster he caught near St Michael's Moont. Coruwall, deserved to live after he found that it had covered more than 300 miles. The lobster was tagged in 1996 off St David's Head, Wales.

Allergy woman killed by chip dipped in curry

NORTH EAST

A WOMAN with an allergy to nuts died after taking a bite from a chip that she had dipped into a restaurant curry. Leann Rickaby, 24, immediately suffered a severe allergic reaction despite rushing to the lavatory to make herself sick. She went into anaphylactic shock and died on the way to

Yesterday her family called for clearer labelling of food on restaurant menus to show whether dishes contained nuts. Her father, John, said: "We want people to be more aware of these allergies so that this kind of thiog never happens again.

hospital.

"It would give us a bit more peace of mind if someone in the future said, 'If it wasn't for that girl in South Shields my daughter could have died."

Miss Rickaby, an accounts manager at Sunderland University, went for a meal with her boyfriend and a friend last Friday to celebrate a promooon and pay rise. She had eaten at the restaurant, the India Brasserie in South Shields, before without experiencing an allergic reaction.

When she noticed the first signs of an attack she called a waiter to her table for help

THE SHOCK THAT CAN BE FATAL

Anaphylactic shock is a severe and life-threatening allergic reaction, (Christine Middap writes). It is most commonly caused by insect bites, food and drugs. It affects the whole body, usually within minutes of exposure to an allergeo such as outs or shellfish. Even tiny quantities of the allergen can cause the body's immone system to overreact to the perceived threat to the body and release chemical substances, including histamine. These substances can lower blood pressure. constrict airways and cause asthma, hives, swelling, stomach pain and vomiting. In the most severe cases, the patient can choke, fall into shock and collapse if he or she remains untreated.

and explained that her life was m danger. As she became more distressed her boyfriend called a taxi, but she insisted that an ambulance be called. Miss Rickaby was able to walk out of the restaurant but

died in the ambulance on the way to hospital. Her father said: "She knew she had this allergy; she was always very, very careful. She had had reactions in the past and what she normally did

was to make herself sick. "She might not have asked if it had nuts in but it wouldn't

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hytede.org.uk. The Anaphylac tatal food allergies, including have mattered anyway because she always tested her food and that's what she did this time. She dipped the chip in to see if it had any nuts and she just had that little bit."

Miss Rickaby, who lived with her family in South Shields, also suffered from severe asthma. A post-mortem examination concluded that death was a result of natural

A spokesman for the India Brasserie said: "We are deeply upset about what happened and we want to extend our sympathies to the family." He said that the menu did indicate whether each meal contained nuts. "It was very hot and crowded in the restaurant at the ome, which may have made the condition worse.



Leann Rickaby made herself sick, but died before the ambulance reached hospital

Doctor cleared over drug mistake

By Claudia Joseph

A JUNIOR doctor whose mathematical error led to a baby girl being injected with 100 times the intended dose of morphine was cleared of serious professional misconduct yesterday by the General Medical Council of the Briosh Medical Association.

Louise Wood, a one-day-old premature twin, died after the overdose, but the GMC's Professional Conduct Committee ruled that there was insufficient evidence against Hilary Evans, 29, a senior house officer at Rotherham District Gen-

eral Hospital. Sir Herbert Duthie, the committee chairman, said: "The committee has determined that the facts of the evidence that has been indicated and admitted on balance are insufficient to support the charge of serious professional miscon-

After the ruling, Brian Purshouse, Louise's father, hugged Dr Evans. He said: played her part but we don't blame her. We don't forgive her, but we feel sorry for her. I am just pleased she can get on with her life. She was made the scapegoat."

Her colleagues, Jean Shorland, a consultant paediatrician, and Vivian Michel. a senior registrar, who are accused of covering up the death by omitting any mention of morphine from the death certificate, still face charges of serious professional misconduct.

Navy flier gave parents joyrides

By SIMON DE BRUXELLES, SOUTH WEST CORRESPONDENT

A SENIOR Royal Navy avia-tor took his parents and their lunch guests on a joyride in his helicopter, a court martial

was told yesterday. Lieutenant-Commander James Hawkins was found out after a neighbour who rang her local council to complain about dogs' mess went on to complain about the noise from the helicopter next door.

Mr Hawkins made a 50-mile detour in his Lynx helicopter to visit his parents in Launceston, Cornwall, as he headed from his base at Portland to a ball at the Britannia Royal Naval College at Dartmouth, Devan.

After having lunch with them he took his parents and their seven guests on a scries of joyrides in the E7 million aircraft.

Mr Hawkins had been celebrating his last day as observer and flight commander of the helicopter based on the de-

stroyer HMS Gloucester when he made the flights at Easter last year. He admitted causing unnec-

essary annoyance by flying over private residences and breaking Queen's Regulations by carrying civilian passen-gers without permission. He

the trust and confidence of those who looked to you to uphold the professional standards of your specialisation."

ate flouting of regulations."

was fined £1.500 and will be assigned to another job within Captain Ian Tibbitt, the presideot of the court martial, told him: "You deliberately flouted gulations for the operation of Naval aircraft and betrayed

Lieutenant-Commander Hugh Anderson, for the defence, said: "These matters are out of character. He is desperately embarrassed to be here today to account for what he knows full well was a deliber-

Dialogue of deaf ends in stabbings

BY RUSSELL JENKINS

A DEAF woman, caught by ber boyfriend trying to seduce her former lover, lashed out with a kitchen knife after a furious row in sign language, a court was told yesterday.

Lynda Wright, 3i, was entertaining the men — both profooodly deaf — at ber flat in Stockport on Christmas Day, 1997.

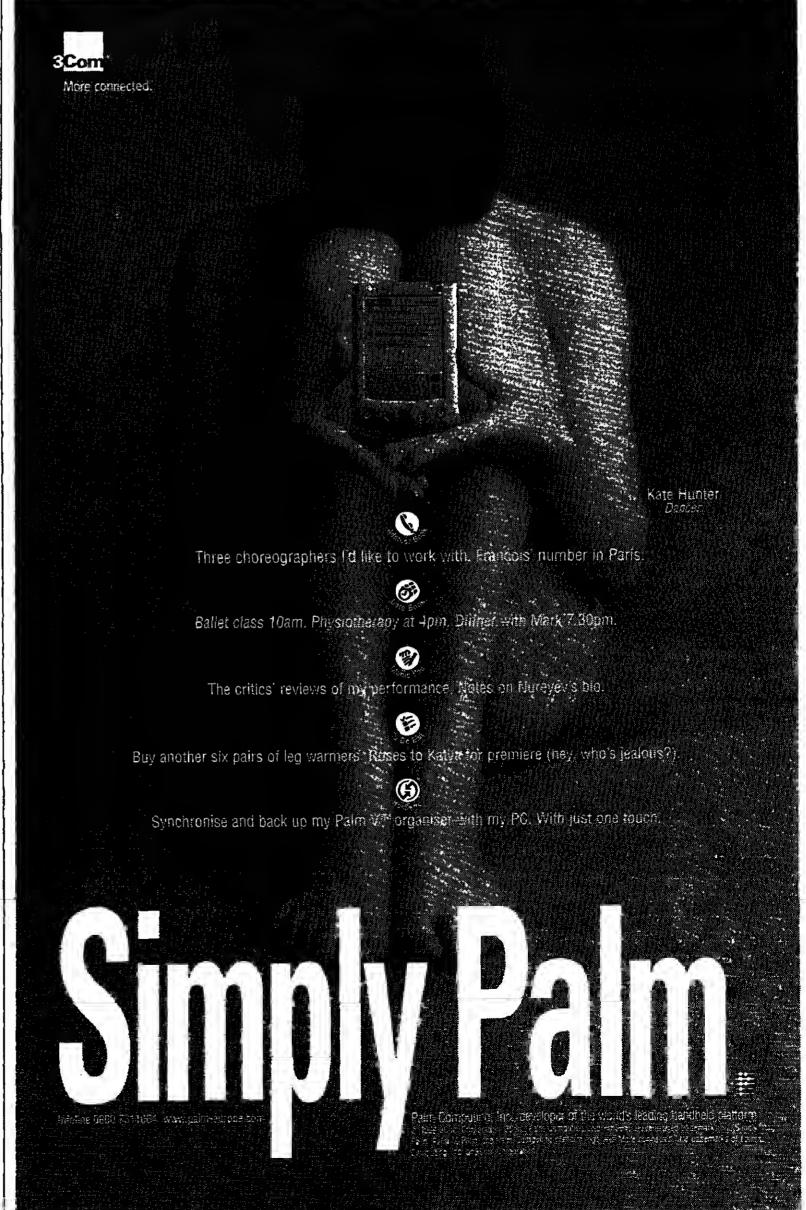
Minshull Street Crown Court in Manchester was told that she lost her temper when ber former boyfriend, Peter Drinnan, 40, spurned ber attempts to give him a love bite. She grabbed a 7in knife from the kitchen and

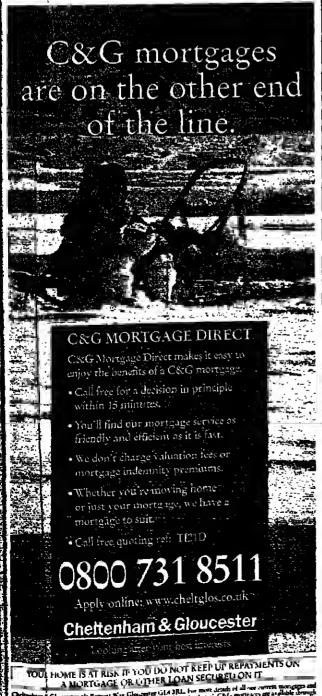
stabbed him in the stomach. returned with a pair of scissors, attempting to stab berself. She then allegedly stabbed her boyfriend, Alex Wilson, 41, in the shoulder.

Police forced entry into the flat when Ms Wright locked herself inside, armed with the knife. Mr Drinnan needed nine stitches, while Mr Wilson needed three stitches.

Stephen Rothwell, for the prosecution, told the court that the dispute began after the trio had been drinking. Ms Wright became affectionate with her ex-lover, who pushed her away. It was then that Wright anacked the two men, he said.

Ms Wright denies two charges of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm. Four interpreters for the deaf are being used in the







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Welcome to the collapse of the Conservative Party

he dically irrelevant but are also in danger of appearing ridiculous. After atmpting to remake the party's image and William Hague's style in the manner of a failing middle-market paper, the leadership is now in a muddle over policy. The confusion cannot just be dismissed as a linguistic and "spinning" fuss. It reflects distinct and inherently contradictory strategies.

On the one hand, William Hague has said the Tories would "re-establish the economic and

moral case for low taxation" and praised an "excellent" Centre for Policy Studies pamphlet by Maurice Saatchi and Peter Warburton calling for an overhaul of the tax and benefit system to slash the tax burden. On the other hand, Peter Lilley has highlighted the limits to the role of the free market and defended taxpayer funding of public

Mr Lilley sought to answer criticisms that the Tories do not care about welfare services and are interested only in privatisation. The public overwhelmingly supports universal health, education and welfare provision funded by the taxpayer. There are limits to the application of insurance either in health or social security since those most in need would not be covered or only at very high premiums, as in the United States. That does not. however, exclude public-private

However, accepting that such services will remain "predominantly taxpayer-financed" limits Tory ambitions to cut taxes. Repeated squeezes on government running costs and cutbacks at the margin



helped to reduce the relative size of the public sector from a peak of 47 per cent to 41 per cent by the time the Tories lost power in 1997. But that was only achieved through the exercise of strong political will by the Treasury and it will be hard to cut the share much lower. There is

no way that the tax burden could be reduced from its current level of more than 37 per cent of national income to the immediate Saatchi/ Warburton objective of 33 per cent. let alone to their ultimate goal of 30 per cent, as in the 1950s, without vilating Mr Lilley's pledge.

If Mr Lilley's lecture was full of subtle realism, the Saatchi/Warburton plan is full of grand simplicities. The authors dress up their ideas in the trite populism of "Independence Day . a national holiday when people stop working for the Government and start working for themselves. But the plan has the appealing theme of ending the overlap between taxes and benefits and exchanging tax allowances, reliefs and exemptions for lower tax rates. There is a lot to be said for tax neutrality and simplicity. But there would be a large number of losers. who would see their benefits and special tax reliefs eliminated.

The Saatchi/Warburton pamphlet has the virtue of making firm proposals. Without specific plans about how the public sector can be reined back, proclamations about the virtues of low taxes by Mr credibility. Mr Lilley has annoyed many of his colleagues by appearing to rule out radical free-market

However, if the Tories want substantially to cut taxes, that inevitably means a smaller welfare state If they accept Mr Lilley's analysis how would the Tories differ from new Labour? The key to Labour's success in 1997 was having a clearcut and credible strategy. The fabled media operation backed that up, but was secondary. The Tories need to sort out where they stand

Hague stands by his man as Tory revolt erupts

WILLIAM HAGUE tried to face down a Shadow Cabinet revolt last night by staking his authority on the abandonment of Thatcherite ideals of reforming the health, education and

welfare systems. With Baroness Thatcher tooking on at an event to mark the twentieth anniversary of her election as Prime Minister, Mr Hague threw his backing behind a move by his deputy Peter Lilley to shift the Tories away from the quest for free-market solutions to the problems of health, education and benefits.

He did so after at least three members of the Shadow Cabinet protested over what they saw as Mr Lilley's attempt to ram through radical change without discussion. They complained that his move had cut short their options in the par-

ty's policy review. Because of the internal dissension caused by advance billing of Mr Lilley's remarks from which he did not retreat when he delivered them to the Carlton Club last night - Mr Hague devoted a portion of his speech celebrating Lady Thatcher's anniversary to supporting his deputy.

The Hague-Lilley plan is the biggest rhetorical break with the Thatcher years since Mr Hague became leader. It has been prompted by "focus group" findings that much of the Conservatives' unpopularity derives from the public belief that they would privatise Lilley's rejection

of Thatcherite ideals sparks

Shadow Cabinet

anger, writes

Philip Webster health, education and social se-

curity.
A source close to Mr Hague compared the move with Tony Blair's crusade to scrap Clause Four. "Blair slayed the paper dragon of Clause Four because of the perception that it meant Labour would nationalise everything even though we all knew that they would not. Now we have to slay the paper dragon of the perception that we will privatise health and education, even though of course we would never have done

In his speech Mr Lilley said the Conservative "Achilles heel" was the party's supposedly hostile attitude to the wel-fare state, particuarly health and education. He repeated that the Tories could only renew public confidence in their commitment to welfare if they 'emphatically accept that the free market has only a limited role in improving public services like health, education and

In a remark that astonished

some Thatcherite MPs, he added: "Unless and until we are prepared to accept that there is more to life and more to Conservatism than defending and extending the free market we will always be on the intellectu-al back-foot where the public services are concerned.

Mr Lilley's words had alarmed frontbench colleagues. Iain Duncan Smith, the Shadow Social Security Secretary, demanded and got a meeting with him on Monday but he refused to budge. There were also strong complaints from Gillian Shephard, the Shadow Environment Secretary, that the move had not been cleared with the Shadow Cabinet, and from Ann Widdecombe, the Shadow Health Secretary, whose main policy proposals since her appointment last summer have included ideas for large injections of private money

into the health service.
At a private seminar yesterday Michael Portillo also underlined his attachment to private-sector solutions although he made plain that he was not commenting on Mr Lilley's

Mr Hague told the Shadow Cabinet that he would be backing Mr Lilley, and sources close to them said there would be no public expressions of discontent. "They are unhappy but he is the leader and they must accept it," one said.

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that the environmental policies of other parties in the elections to the Scottish parliament are uniformly grey

Three steps to their tax heaven

THE programme outlined by Maurice Saatchi and Peter Warburton is aimed at eliminating the complexity that has entered the tax and benefit system over the last 40 years. Income tax "celebrates" its bicentenary this year. It will shortly reach some 39 per cent of national income - the highest peacetime level. Despite this steadily increasing burden, public demand for higher spending on health and education continues to outpace the ability of elected politicians to deliver. Saatchi and Warbur-

ton aim to reverse this ratchet through three initiatives. ■ The progressive eliminatioo of present arrangements

Tim Hames on how administrative savings could pay healthy dividends

which involve comparatively small amounts of taxation being extracted from relatively poor people who then have the same money returned in the form of benefits. The Government now extracts Income Tax and National Insurance contributions from 17 million households with incomes below £20,000 a year, seven million of which earn less than half that sum. Almost all of these people then receive benefits in order to "top up" incomes that have been in part

drained by tax contributions. Saatchi and Warburton seek a single cut-off point above which people would be taxpayers and below which they would receive benefits.

An assault on the 250 tax allowances, credits, exemptions and reliefs that clutter the tax system. These would be abolished to make way for one sin-gle large personal allowance and permit a further lowering of tax rates. The same broad principle was followed in the United States during the 1980s although it has since been undermined by Presi-dent Clinton's enthusiasm for tax breaks targeted at electorally sensitive voters. Critics of Gordon Brown argue that he has now chosen to follow a very similar path.

■ These policies would allow government agencies dealing with the spider's web of taxes and benefits - the Inland Revenue, the Department of Social Security, the Benefits Agency, and the Contributions Agency — to be merged. This would allow for large administrative savings — initially estimated at £5 billion that could be redirected towards health and education.



Scots 'have lost their enterprise'

The nation which produced Adam Smith has been accused of losing its entrepreneurial spirit. In a lecture to-night, David Bell, Professor of Economics at Stirling University, will claim that lack of motivation will hinder economic growth. He will also reject SNP claims that an independent Scotland could, like Ireland, become a Ceitic tiger economy. and tell young Scots to look abroad and learn lessons from the Far East

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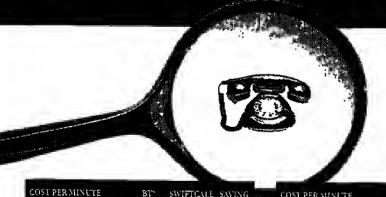
Jim Wallace. Scottish Lib Dem leader, on anti-drugs

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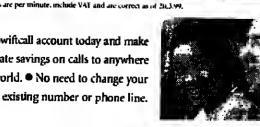
Donald Dewar will play bingo in Maryhill while Labour's press conference will focus on science and technology. Jim Wallace, Scottish Lib Dem leader, launches a "Better Business Charter". The Tories talk about drugs.

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Bones put man in bed with Neanderthals



Neanderthals shared space and time with modern man, but DNA tests indicate that the two never interbred

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☐ Large head with projecting nose, large teeth and a prominent brow ridge Not tall but stocky and muscular, taller men were about 5ft 7ins ☐ Bones of upper arm much bigger and stronger. Hips suggest that Neanderthals were very active as children, probably following the adults as they hunted and foraged □ Brain large but lying behind the face, not on top of it. The back of the skull was balloon-shaped, with a senes of bony crests just behind the ears Died out about 30,000 years ago, but may have survived longer in areas such as Spain and Portugal, out of the way of

☐ Flatter face, higher forehead and smaller nose than Neanderthal man but larger chin, smaller teeth. ☐ Taller and more lightly built; men four to six inches taller than Neanderthals Brain almost Identical In size to Neanderthals (1,200-1,700cc) but located higher above the

modern human beings

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More sophisticated use of tools, reflected in less strongly developed bones and muscle in upper arm Possessed language. developed art and practised mual, as in the burial of the dead

Nigel Hawkes reports on a scientific discovery that throws new light on the origin of Homo sapiens

THE skeleton of a four-year old child who died 24,500 years ago reveals that Neanderthals and modern man interbred, an American palaeontologist has claimed.

The skeleton, found in the Lapedo Valley north of Lisbon. has the sturdy limbs of a Neanderthal but the pronounced teeth and chin of Homo sapi-ens, says Erik Trinkaus of Washington University in St Louis. The suggestion conflicts

with genetic evidence extracted from Neanderthal bones, and published two years ago. which indicated that there had been no interbreeding.

The opportunity was certainly there. Anthropologists believe that the two populations did overlap, both in space and

Neanderthal man emerged about 300,000 years ago and did not die out until well after the appearance of early Homo sapiens about 100,000 years ago. In southern France and the Iberian Peninsula traces of both species, dating to about 30,000 years ago, have been found in the same places. But most experts have dismissed the idea that they might have interbred.

Professor Trinkaus says the Portuguese skeleton provides the proof. This skeleton, which has some characteristics of Neanderthals and others of early modern humans, demonstrates that early modern humans and Neanderthals are not all that different. They intermixed, interbred and produced offspring," he said. The skeleton was found



buried on a hillside near Leiria, 30 miles north of Lisbon and 19 miles from the At-

lantic coast. The skull had been crushed a buildozer but Joao Zilhao of the Portuguese Archaeological Institute led excavations which found a well-preserved lower jaw and skeleton.

The find was made last December when an archaeologist stuck his hand down a rabbit hole and pulled out the left forearm.

Radiocarbon dating revealed that the child lived about 24,500 years ago, or 4,000 years after early modern man migrated into the Iberian Peninsula where Neanderthals were already living. Professor Trinkaus said.

He said the skeleton could not be dismissed as a product of a rare affair between the two groups. This is not a love child." he said. "The results of admixture were there in the population 4,000 years after Neanderthals and early modern humans first met on the Iberian Peninsula."

The prominent chin was characteristic of early Homo sapiens while the stocky trunk and short limbs reflected Neanderthals. he said. Arm bones pointed to early modern human parentage. The discovery, which is yet to be published, could prove controversial because it questions the Out of Africa theory of the origin of modern man, which holds that he evolved in Africa and spread around the world, displacing the Neanderthals without interbreeding.

"This find refutes strict replacement models of modern human origins - that early modern human beings all emerged from Africa and wiped out the Neanderthal Professor population."

Trinkaus said. A leading exponent of the Out of Africa theory. Chris Stringer of the Natural History Museum yesterday told BBC Online that he expected the find to make a "major contribution" to debate on how Neanderthals died out.

If interbreeding did occur, modern man will carry genes inherited from Neanderthal ancestors. But this conflicts with the DNA evidence, published by a team led by Svante Paabo of the University of Munich, which showed that Nean-derthal DNA differed equally from the DNA of modern man on all five continents.

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By Frances GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

whose premature deaths last by the legal profession were honnured at The Times/Jus-tice Legal Awards last night. Peter Duffy, QC, who acted for Amnesty International

during the House of Lords hearing on General Pinochet was named Lawyer of the Year. A special award was

shown themselves to be outstanding in their efforts to make human rights real and accessible to ordinary people," he said.

Anne Owers, director of tice, paid tribute to the work

The Access to Justice Award was given to the Environmental Law Foundation, which through a network of lawyers mostly acting without charge has helped many local groups to pursue their envi-

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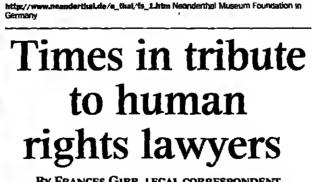
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TWO human rights lawyers

month were widely lamented

made in Rosemary Nelson. who was murdered in Northern treland, in recognition of her courage in defending her clients "fearlessly io the face of great personal risk." The awards were presented to the winners' relatives by Gordon Brown, the Chancellor. "All the winners have

the human rights group Jusof Mr Duffy, who died of cancer last month, aged 44. Despite his illness, she said, he had appeared in several landmark cases over the past year. including the one an women as refugees, and had helped to prepare lawyers for the implementation of the Human Rights Act.

The judges, who included Lord Woolf, the Master of the Rolls. Robert Ayling, chief executive of British Airways and Chris Mullin, MP. named Saul Lehrfreund and Parvais Jabbar as jnint winners of the Young Lawyer of the Year award for their work helping prisoners on death row in the Caribbean.

ronmental rights.

A full report on the awards will appear in The Times law



Radical college sets up chair of aliens

FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES

IF ANYBODY'S out there, Berkeley would like to know: the university that invented gender studies in the 1960s has appointed the first Professor of Extraterrestriai Intelligence.

Dr William Welch will supervise the building of a three-acre field of telescopes in Northern California in a renewed attempt to answer what most scientists consider the Big One: are we alone in the universe? He does not expect a quick answer

Using giant dishes pointed at deep space from New Mexico and Puerto Rico. the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence (Seti) has been seeking sig-nals from alien life for decades, without success.

"Will we find intelligent life in space in my lifetime? Dr Welch mused in an interview with The New York Times at Berkeley's Hat Creek Observatory. "It's a very remote possibility."

Seti researchers concentrate on a band of microwave radiation considered the best hunting ground. Such signals could take aeons to get bere, though. In t974 a message about our solar system was beamed from Puerto Rico to a star cluster 25,000 light years away. A prompt reply would not be back for 50,000 years.

Dr Welch's job is at least a sign that Seti is about science, not little green men. Endowed to the tune of \$500.000 (£3t1.000) by two Seti volunteers, the professorship is a much-needed injection of money for a search stripped of most of its Nasa funding in 1993, as depicted in Contact, the film starring Jodi Foster.

Jill Tarter, on whom Foster's character was based, then sought private backing. She happens to be Dr Weich's wife.



Sophia Loren proves she is still the centre of attention after a presentation by Massimo D'Alema, the Italian Prime Minister, in Rome yesterday. The 64-year-old actress, who starts filming in her native Naples in June, won the entertainment category of a government cultural award

South Africans praise violent police tactics

THE extent to which society in South Africa has become brutalised by its enormous crime wave became clear vesterday after the screening by BBC Television of a documentary showing police in Johannesburg assaulting car-hijack-

Although senior officers expressed shock, most callers to radio phone-ins said: "Good

Reports about the documentary, shown on Newsnight on Monday and re-screened last night on South African television, were the lead stories in newspapers and radio bulletins. The South African Broadcasting Corporation reported that the police unit involved, the Brixton Highway Patrol in Johannesburg, is to be dis-

Typical of the callers was a white woman, identified as Sue, who lives near Johannesburg, on Radio 702. She said: "As an ordinary citizen, I'm de-

Rampant violent crime has fostered a siege mentality among citizens, writes Ray Kennedy in Johannesburg

pect injured after a hijacked lighted that these criminals

are getting what they deserve. We are living in a state of siege behind electric fences. They are raping our children and we drive around with our cars locked and walk with our keys in our hands,"

Neville Melville, of the Independent Complaints' Directorate, a body monitoring police, said the public was "baying for blood" as suspects escape arrest or are freed on bail. Six white policemen filmed

by the BBC have been suspended. The documentary, which was planned originally to focus on the stress under which they work, shows the highway patrol kicking and punching suspects and setting a dog on them as they lie face down and handcuffed.

In another incident, a sus-

car crashed is filmed being hit in the stomach and about the head with a rifle butt.

The Independent Complaints' Directorate said yesterday: "No less than 15 people a month die in custody or as a result of police actions," More than 1,000 police officers have been murdered since 1994. George Fivaz, the police

commissioner, has warned criminals in a country awash with guns that the police will 'fight fire with fire". But Mohamed Hussein, of the Nation-Association of Democratic Lawyers, said police needed educating that they were living in a constitutional democracy. It was emphasised in many

quarters yesterday that most South African policemen and women are hard working and

honest. Judith Robb, a human rights lawyer, said it was es-sential that those within it who resorted to violence and behaved as though nothing bad changed since its role was basically to enforce apartheid

should be rooted out. Mr Fivaz said he would order police management to investigate setting up a programme to treat officers who were suspected of having become brutalised by the daily stresses of their jobs.

In the BBC documentary it was reported that a senior policeman invited to South Africa from Denver, Colorado, to advise on how to deal with violent crime had been faced with two shooting incidents in a 25-year career. In South Africa one of the first policemen he mer was a 26-year-old who had been involved in 17. After the African National Congress came to power in 1994 it dismissed concerns about rising crime as a bitter white reac-tion to black majority rule. The fact that crime oow affects far more blacks than whites simply because of demographics has compelled the ANC to address it as a major issue in its campaign for the general election on June 2.

President Mandela, opening yet another crime prevention campaign on Monday, admitted that it would take several years to solve the problem. Statistics show that 52 people out of every 100,000 were murdered last year which was a slight improvement on the

was 62. On average there is one rape every two minutes. More than 2,000 cars and vehicles were seized from their owners in the Johannesburg area alone, mostly at gun-

previous year when the figure

WORLD IN BRIEF

Dogs slaughtered to halt brain virus

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Kuala Lumpur: Malaysia has begun killing dogs and plans to test "every species imaginable" to curb a rare brain disease that bas claimed about 100 lives. At first, pigs were believed to be the only carriers of two strains of viral encephalitis that broke out in October. A dozen people have died of Japanese encephalitis and recently more than 90 from a new strain named Nipah after the village where its first victim died. Despite claims that the outbreak seemed to be over, officials admitted yesterday that stray dogs had contracted the Nipah virus in the worst-hit area 60 miles southeast of the capital (AP)

Move to oust Bhutto

Karachi: Pakistan's Parliament moved to annul the membership of Benazir Bhutto, the former Prime Minister, and Asif Ali Zardari, ber imprisoned husband, following their conviction for corruption (Zahid Hussain writes). All the couple's assets can be confiscated because of their conviction. Khalid Anwar, the Law Minister, said.

Chinese 'torture'

Arbitrary and summary executions, detention, unfair political trials and tortures that include the insertion of horse hair into the penis are part of a pattern of gross and systematic abuse of human rights in the Uighur Autonomous Regioo of Xinjiang in western China, according to a report issued by Amnesty International (Michael Binyon writes).

Rape law toughened

Cairo: The Egyptian parliament has scrapped a century-old law exempting a rapist from punishment if he marries his victim. Parliament adopted the change after women's groups expressed outrage over the freeing of three rape suspects when one of them married the victim. Human rights activists praised the decision. (AFP)

Fatally bad hair day

Beijing: A Chinese woman died of shock when she clapped eyes on her granddaughter with dyed red hair, the Lanzhou Morning Post reported. The young woman went to visit her grandmother in the mountainous oorthern town of Meixian after working for several months as a hairdresser in the southern ecocomic boom town of Shenzhen. (AFP)

Everglades in flames



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FROM IAN BRODIE IN NEW YORK

HILLARY Clinton loves New York, but New Yorkers are loving her less. A campaign-style swing by the First Lady through the Big Apple, where she is

eyeing a Democratic run for the Senate, was marred by a new poll showing she has lost the ten-point lead she held in JanuGiuliani, the city's Republican Mayor. They are now in a statistical dead heat,

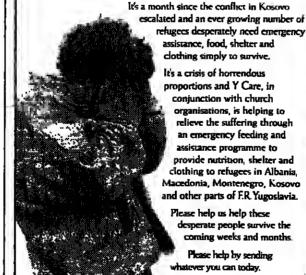
43.5 per cent for her, 42.8 per cent for him. according to a new poll by the Marist Institute for Public Opinion. Even worse for Mrs Clinton, a majority

of New York voters, 52 per cent, now think she should not run for the Senate, up from 37 per cent in February, according to the

ary over her putative opponent, Rudolph poll. It appears that Mr Giuliani is making inroads with his denunciation of Mrs Clinton as a carpet-bagger - a politician seeking office in a state where

she has no real connection. Asked if she will run, Mrs Clinton said she was still considering the idea but was very interested. Asked why, she said: "I love New York to start with, I always have." It was "a microcosm of America".

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Personal Finance Editor Anne Ashworth on the financial implications of marriage; how to make savings in the

garden; and why personal pension customers could be owed as much as £4,000

uccessive surveys predict the demise of matrimony, yet the institution persists. This summer a gaggle of glitterati will de the knot, presumably in the belief that if cohabitation will soon become the norm, then marriage is chic. The Spice Girl Victoria Ad-

ams and footballer David Beckham will unite their fortunes in June to create a E20 million partnership. Next in line are Sophie Rhys-Jones, a partner in a PR firm, who earns about £80,000, and Edward Windsor, a television producer whose income this year should be £416,000. Close behind in the celebs' altar line stand Zoe Ball, the radio and TV presenter, on a salary of £1.5 million, and Fat Boy Slim, her fiance, whose dance-music hits should make him at least as wealthy as his wife-to-be. Like other brides and bride-grooms of the season, these

prosperous pairs will now be concentrating on the champagne for the reception and the musculature of the hen-night entertainment. The Government, however, would like cou-

ples who are in less easy circumstances to be planning the smooth opera-oon of a joint account as well as the itinerary for the stag night. We should be considering not only the cost of the wedding but all the financial impli-

cations of matrimony, too. The Home Office has recommended that the betrothed should be supplied with a "marriage preparation pack", with details of tax, state benefits and property rights. It also proposes that all couples should draw up prenuptial agreements in recognition of the one in three chance that their relationship will end in divorce. Usually the preserve of Old Money or of New World wealth, these documents set out the division of the marital assets in the event

of a split. However, like other government notions designed to make us more financially prudent, these plans are yet to be finalised. This will come as a relief to those who would prefer a pacier honeymoon read than benefit entitlement terms and conditions.

The contents of the pack may also be causing some em-barrassment in Whitehall because they would reveal that the tax benefits of marriage are negligible to many couples, and soon to be nil. Jack Straw, the Home Secretary. husband and father, is apparently concerned to support marriage. But Gordon Brown. the Chancellor of the Exchequer and bachelor, will next year be abolishing the mar-

ried couple's tax allowance. The £1,970 allowance, worth £197 a year, will be abolished in April 2000. A year later it will be replaced by a concession given to families with children whether the parents are married or not. The children's tax credit will be worth, at most, £416 a year. The higher your salary, the less tax credit you receive, so that a household where one partner has an income of £38.500 or more gets nothing. However, if both mother and father earn £30,000 each, they will receive a percentage of the credit.

Pensioners will be enotled to

retain their higher married couple's allowance of £5,195, worth £520, but only if either spouse celebrates their 65th birthday before April 5, 2000. In the seniors' marriage mar-ket, those of the pre-1935 vin-tage will suddenly be a more sought-after commodity.

In a further blow to the married of Middle England, the introduction of the children's tax credit in 2001 may be accompanied by the imposition of high-er-rate tax on child benefit. But Mr Brown must first discover a way to circumvent in-dependent taxation, under which husbands and wives are taxed separately. Child benefit is paid to mothers. But too few are higher-rate taxpayers to raise sufficient revenue. So Mr Brown must find a way to tax a wife's money as her husband's income if he is a higher-rate taxpayer. The Chancellor is aware that such a measure would leave him

open to charges of fiscal sexism. While Home Office strives to compile its pre-marriage pack with-out acknowledging that the tax system is growine less favourable to husbands and wives, Easy

Money can provide some hints to marital financial harmony:

Some of the best guidance comes from divorce lawyers whose services you are less likely to need if you remain

financially compatible.
Frances Hughes, the head of the matrimonial department at Bates, Wells & Braithwaite, the solicitors, says: "A lack of openness in money matters leads to problems, as does unnecessary financial depend-ence. Wherever possible each spouse should have their own bank account and do their own budgeting. A feeling of being powerless in the relationship, of having to ask for mon-

ey, causes disagreements." The contemporary money management model is based on three accounts - his, hers and theirs. The joint account is used to pay the mortgage and other household expenses. If one partner does not use the personal tax allowance of £4,335, a meeting should be held to discuss putting some of



Rolling down the aisle: David Beckham and Victoria Adams. Fat Boy Slim and Zoe Ball

allowance and limits the household's tax liability.

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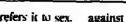
For the wealthy, marriage still holds significant tax benefits, as John Battersby, a tax partner at the accountants KPMG, points out. There is, for example, the opportunity to cut a bill for capital gains tax. If your spouse cannot use his or her tax-free allowance of £7.100 and you would face a large bill from the sale of some asset, say shares, then transfer them tax-free to your spouse. He or she then sells the shares, sets the gain against his or her

madeally inherit a portion of the estate; cohabitees do not enjoy such rights. Prenupoal agreements are not yetlegally binding in Brit-ain, but their popularity is rising, not only among those who wish to protect City bonuses

from estranged spouses. Expect soon to see the prenup on the pre-wedding aideménuoire in Brides. Professional couples often believe that the ability to discuss how houses and savings will be managed throughout the marriage - not only at its ending - is a sign of emotional maturity in a prospective partner. Sarah Anticoni, of Campbell Hooper, the solicitors, says: "A prenup is part of sensible financial planning."

These same serious-minded young people also insure their weddings with Comhill or Ecclesiastical against such calamides as the destruction of the dress or the bankruptcy of the catering company. Policies cost from £45. But latterday Miss Havishams should be aware that they will not be covered for cancellation of the event if the other party has a sudden change of heart.

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ne in four women prefers it to sex. No, it's not shopping, it's gardening. it may not be the new rock'n'roll but there is no denying that gardening is hip. The garden centre is fast replacing the pub as the ideal place for thirtysomethings to spend their spring bank holidays. The launch of New Eden, a glossy magazine that seeks to do for gardening what Wallpaper* did for interior decorating, and exclusive shops such as The Plant Room, a North London specialist that has its catalogue on CD-Rom, reinforce the claims that gardening is terribly trendy.

The problem with gardening — as with all things both modern and cool — is the expense. Prices paid by gardeners for the same goods probably vary more than in any other area of consumer spending. Small, specialist garden centres and shops are much more ex-pensive than the big chains such as Homebase or B&Q.
At the Chelsea Gardener, a 4ft-tall Tuscan

Waterlady complete with sillcone implants and dispirited expression will set you back

£495. Or you could purchase a decorative conservatory pineapple for £295, though why you would want to put a slightly rusty metal globe crowned with a pineapple in your conservatoon the more tasteful

side, you could splash out on an eight-seater metal and fake marble table, perfect for summer dinner parties, for £1,635. The drawback is that you also have to buy the eight chairs at £399 each, set-dng you back £4.827 for the whole caboodle. If you do decide to buy

outrageously priced sculptures or garden fur-niture, it is a good idea to insure them. Otherwise you could find yourself in the situation that Brian Sewell, the art critic, found himself in last week when thieves made off with life-

or Augustus and a bronze bust of an obscure Italian politician from Mr Sewell's garden. You can make buge savings by avoiding the trendiest garden centres and posh Islington boutiques. Frequenting the major chain stores or supermarkets can save you a packet. The price war between the big DIY chains is cut-throat. This has led to brutal cost-cutting and, especially at this time of year when stores are trying to attract customers, obvious loss-leaders. Growbags, for

size marble busts of John Locke and Emper-

example, can cost just just 99p.

Even for basic implements, the differences in price are staggering. A 30-metre hose from Chelsea Gardener costs five times as much as it would from Homebase. A spade costs almost four times as much: £46.95

against £11.49. A gardening fork is nearly double the price: £29.95 against £14.99 at Homebase. Compost can cost as little as £3.99 for 80 litres (that's about the maximum most people could lift into the back of a car without help). Chelsea Gardener sells 75 litres for £5.99.

Accessories are also much cheaper at the major DIY stores. A bird table costs £41.95 at Chelsea Gardener, £22.99 at Homebase, A glazed blue pot costs £120 in Chelsea, £49.99 from Homebase, while a terracotta pot costs £300 from the Chelsea Gardener. £24.99 from Homebase.

This means that before you have even got to the plants, you could save £438.32 by stocking up at Homebase rather than in Chelsea. Once you do get to the plants, the price differentials are massive depending on whether you grow the plant from seed or buy a more mature plant.

For example, a small Vibernum Tinus costs £2.99 from Homebase, or £90 for a fully grown plant from Chelsea Gardener. You can buy a rhododendron seedling for just

£3.99 from Homebase, or the same, mature plant for El20 from Chelsea Gardener, or E3.99 for a younger plant from Homebase. A 6in-high Japanese maple from Homebase costs £6.99. while the fully grown version will set you back a hefty E600 at Chelsea Gardener.

The disadvantage of growing plants from seed is that you need lots of space, ideally a greenhouse and plenty of time and dedication for all the pricking out, potting on and watering. However, this is offset by the feeliogs of pride and satisfacdon that you will get from the knowledge that you have nurtured the

plant to maturity - not to mention the additional saving of £810, based on the prices of the three plants mentioned here.

Added to your savings on the basics, your cost-cutting has saved a total of £1.248 enough to pay off half the interest payments on a £50,000 mortgage for the year. Invested as a lump sum in the Barclays FTSE-100 index tracker for five years, you could save £2,500, based on past performance.

Be warned, however, that your garden may suffer as a result of all this cost-cutting. Expensive garden centres are expensive for a reason. They tend to be staffed by real enthusiasts who know the plants they are sell-ing and the conditions in which they will flourish, so you are less likely to end up with plants uosuited to your garden or roof terrace that wither withio weeks of purchase.

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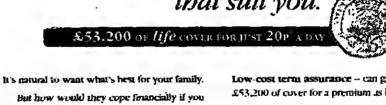
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The race to draw a map of humanity

Medicine tailored to the needs of the individual could be possible if an altruistic, \$45 million project is successful. However, one scientist wants to make money. Anjana Ahuja reports

biologically speaking, from anyone else on the planet. We are each made from three billion pairs of DNA building blocks, and a variation occurs every 1.000 building blocks. This means that we share about 99.9 per cent of our genetic make-up with each other.

These minute and sparse variations are the subject of an extraordinary research project announced last week. The SNP Consortium — comprising the Wellcome Trust, ten pharmaceutical companies and five of the world's leading medical research institutes will spend \$45 million over the next two years to identify onetenth, or 300,000, of those variations, more properly called single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs, or snips).

The fact that rivals such as Glaxo Wellcome, AstraZene-ca, Smithkline Beecham, Pfizer and Hoffmann-La Roche are joining forces is striking. since nobody will profit.

The consortium is sending out a strong message that the rapid advances being made in genetics should be shared freely for the public good, rather than being patented and sold on for vast sums.

However, according to the Wellcome Trust, Dr Craig Venter, the mayerick American scientist who has broken away from the International Human Genome Project (IHGP) to set up his own commercial effort, has announced that he will compete to create a snips

Snips are the smallest possible change in genetic material. and occur in a single building

here is precious little block of DNA. They are one to distinguish you, class of genetic mutation. Some snips are harmless; others, either singly but more often in combination, render people more susceptible to diseases such as cancer, diabetes and heart disease. Scientists in the consortium aim to draw one of the most important maps in scientific history - a chart of the exact locations of 150,000 snips.

By comparing the genetic maps of sufferers with the maps of healthy individuals. doctors should be able to infer which snips are associated with specific conditions. The result will be a kind of master atlas for medical science - by examining our own sequence of snips and comparing them to this mammoth map, we could discover which diseases we might fall victim to and take preventive action.

"Each disease will be associated with a handful of snips, which are one type of genetic marker." says Dr David Bentley, head of human genetics at the Sanger Centre in Cambridge, one of the participants. Since we are looking at 300,000 snips, this project will give us an awful lot of reference points. The current set of genetic markers, called microsatellites, number 300, so this universal map of snips will

give us much more detail." This project, Dr Bentley says, is part of the genome project. However, the map being drawn in the IHGP is too low in resolution to provide the detail required to hunt for the genetic clues to disease. It would be like trying to use a world atlas to navigate a journey from Liverpool to Manchester. The snips should also

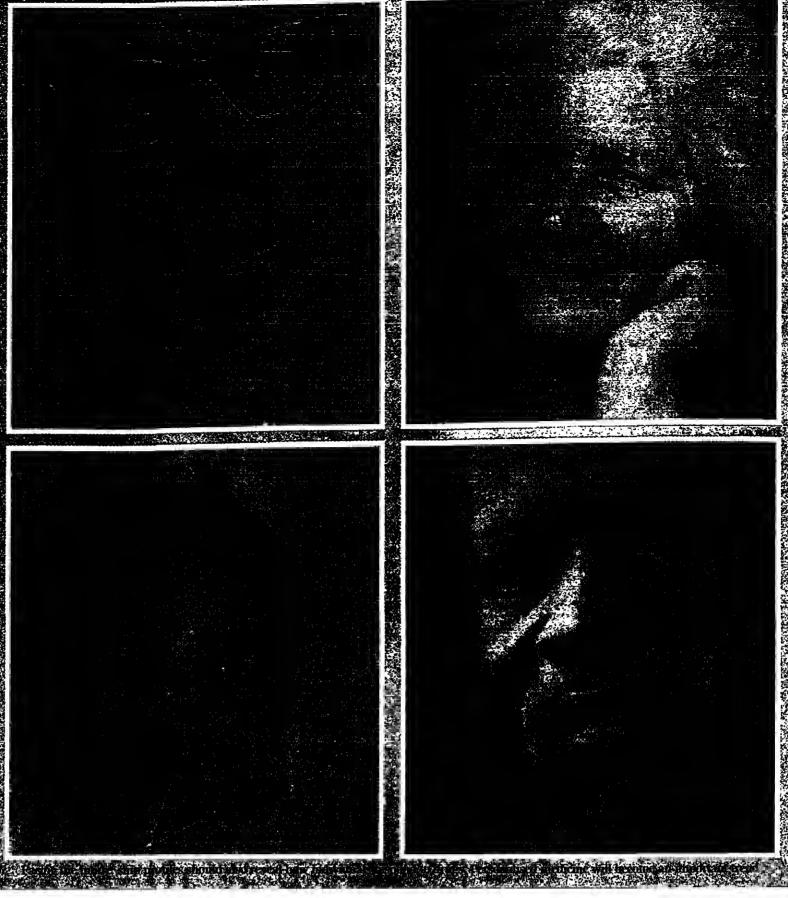
reveal how individuals might respond to different drugs. It should identify, for example, which sufferers of depression might benefit from Prozac. This means that patients can he offered a treatment tailored to their needs, rather than a blanket therapy with possible side-effects.

The project will have other spin-offs, too - while everyone should have a healthy diet, it is well-known that switching from chocolates and crisps to fruit and vegetables will help some more than others. In the future, nutritional advice could be offered on the basis of a snip profile. This may seem spooky but "personalised medicine" will be an important trend over the coming century.

n accordance with a condition laid down by the Wellcome Trust, which has contributed \$14 million, the consortium has pledged to put its results on a public database. This is important because information in the public domain cannot be patented. However, there will still be commercial opportunities. After all, the snip map is just that — a map of snips. Companies will still have to identify which clusters of snips are associated with specific diseases. This information can then be used to develop diagnostics and therapies, which they can go on to patent.

"It is a bit like making an A to Z of the UK - individual companies can still go on to develop and market road maps of Birmingham or London," explains Dr Michael Morgan, chief executive of the Wellcome Trust Genome Campus in Cambridge, which hous-

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es the Sanger Centre. "It is a kind of pre-competitive project. Some of the pharmaceutical companies were sceptical at first. There was a lot of discussion but at the end of the day this was the preferred route." So what is in it for the participating pharmaceutical

companies that have stumped up \$3 million each?

Dr Morgan sums up: "It raises the level of the playing field for everyone, for modest expenditure. It is good for us. since we would probably ended up funding something like this at full cost to ourselves."

Not making such information available would stifle innovation, according to Arthur Holden, chairman and chief executive of the SNP Consortium. "The more people that have access to this tool. the more creativity and suc- have occurred elswhere: "We with new diagnostics and ther- core technical platform for the his own terms, which was

apies," he says. "I know a company that is charging \$30 million for access to a genetic database. How many companies and universities can afford

This information will lay the foundation for innovation in medicine for the next century. There will be far more competition and progress, especially among smaller companies, if the information is freely available rather than locked up by private concerns."

He says such collaborations

industry. Similar things have been done in the telecommunications, computer and defence

Dr Morgan points out that would be incredibly expensive for one company to go it alone on a snip database. Nonetheless, this is what Dr Venter is planning to do. Dr Morgan is sceptical that Dr Venter and his company, Celera, will succeed, as he anticipates the SNP Consortium will produce the "gold stand-

ard" among snip databases. "Craig was prepared to parcess there will be in coming up are talking about setting up a ticipate in our consortium on

have restricted access," Dr Morgan says. "Since our announcement, he has said that he is going to make his own snip map and make it ten times bigger and 20 times bet-

ter than ours "It would be arrogant for one company to think that it had all the expertise necessary to understand the kind of information that will come out of it. We are talking about the blueprint of humanity. This is going to help us to understand what makes us human, I don't think we can fully conceive of

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Bentley, of Johns Hopkins,

and Thomas Van't Hof, of the Max Planck Institute, have

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ings could have wider implica-

"We would never have discovered this if we had started

out trying to see what melaton-

in is doing in humans," he

says. "Now, with this discov-

tions, says Dr Bentley.

IT IS remarkable what you find once you start looking. Since a systematic search of the sky for near-Earth asteroids began, the numbers are piling up at a remarkable rate. Fifty-five new asteroids with the potential to collide with the Earth were found during 1998 - more than in the previous six years. None of the asteroids pos-

es a threat, but there are plenty more to find. The American space agency Nasa, which says there are 2,000 such objects, set a target of identifying most of them within ten years. So far, 163 have been found. A new telescope, due to go on line soon, will speed up the search, but

the target looks optimistic.

Dr Brian Marsden, of the Minor Planets Centre in Cambridge, Massachusetts, expects 90 per cent of the potentially dangerous asteroids to be found within 17 years.

A few years is hardly likely to make any difference, says Don Yeo-mans, of Nasa's Near Earth Orbit programme. He expects that if there is an asteroid with the Earth's name on it, we will get ten, 20 or 30

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years' warning, enough time to devise a way of shifting the asteroid's orbit, perhaps by explosives, to ensure that it misses. One recent discovery, called 1999 ANIO, has caused controversy not because of any risk of an impact but because of the way its discovery

A year ago, some astronomers were embar-rassed after Dr Marsden gave warning that an

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asteroid might be on course for a 2028 impact. More refined calculations, when further details

of its orbit were known, showed the fears to be unfounded. The low-key announcement of ANIO is seen by some, including Benny Peiser, an anthropologist at John Moores University in Liverpool, as an overreaction to that embarrassment. The news slipped out on a website in the

form of a paper from three Italian astronomers. The interest in ANIO is that its orbit is tilted at an angle of 70 degrees and intersects that of the Earth twice a year in February and August. It is thought to be about a mile in diameter, quite large enough to do continent-wide damage if it hit. Dr Andrea Milani and Dr Steven Chesley, of the University of Pisa, and Dr Giovanni Valsecchi, of the Planetary Institute in Rome, say that it will remain close for the next 600 years.

There is, they say, a one-in-a-billion chance that it could strike the Earth in August 2030, but that is

Earth in August 2039, but that is smaller than being struck by an unknown asteroid any day without warning, and not something to worry about. The long-term potential

needs careful watching, though, as the orbit of ANIO may be disturbed by its constant close approaches to the Earth, possibly increasing the chances of impact. Dr Peiser says that he finds the lack of public

notice disturbing. But astronomers seem happy with the way it was done. "I commend them for the process of being careful," Richard Binzel, of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, told the Boston Globe. "On a scale of zero to five," he

expands as the days grow longer. This was believed to be controlled by levels of the ery, we can feed back the information to other scientists and male sex hormone testoster-

perhaps belp them to understand what is happening in other species."

ing the infection rate by 42 per cent, compared to 25 per cent. He did not look at heavy drinkers. "It's another piece of the puzzle suggesting that moderate alcohol consumption, as practised by the vast majority of the population, does indeed offer some health

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Excuse me, what is mind-blowing sex?

"WHAT is sexy?" demands the huge red-and-white ban-ner hanging over the Jacob K

thrusting an Erogenous Zone
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me. "If you go to Kansas or ner hanging over the Jacob K Javits Convention Center on 35th Street, usually home to New York's computer and auto shows, but this week taken over by Erotica USA, Manhattan's biggest exhibition so far about sex.

The programme promises "everything that is new and exciting in erotic music videos, piercing and wine and spirits ... Inside, the Center is a jumble of stalls selling erotic pictures, penis fruit gums, nipple lolli-pops and latex clothing.

I wander over to join a

small crowd gathered around a stall called The Erogenous Zone: A Swingers' Club For the Next Millennium. Be-hind the salesman, a tall, blonde girl in micro, crotchhugging shorts is riding a child's rocking horse and spooning melon chunks out of a plastic cup.

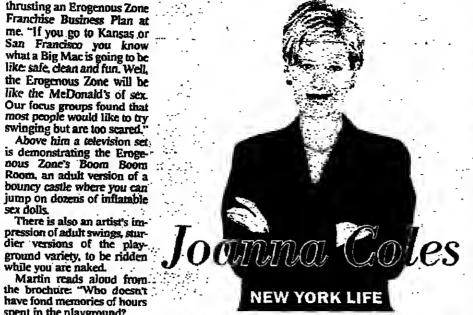
"It is for people who want to try swinging but haven't dared," explains Martin Davis, national sales director, San Francisco you know what a Big Mac is going to be like safe, clean and fun. Well, the Erogenous Zone will be like the MeDonald's of sex. Our focus groups found that most people would like to try

swinging but are too scared." Above him a television set is demonstrating the Eroge-nous Zone's Boom Boom Room, an adult version of a bouncy castle where you can jump on dozens of inflatable

There is also an artist's im-

Martin reads aloud from the brochure: "Who doesn't ... have fond memories of hours spent in the playground?

"The suggested entrance fee is \$80 per couple," he continues. "Men must arrive stuffed animals and cuddly toys." with a female partner. Women may enter singly and are charged \$40." He adds: "We



On the stage at the end of the hall, a fired girl dressed io

a latex nun's habit is dancing

to Voulez-Vous Couches Avec

Mai? with two men dressed

York, Los Angeles and Chica-

toys."
"Have you had much interest in the franchise?" [ask. "Oh yes," he smiles. "It costs \$30,000 a year and next

as Roman gladiators. In another stall, designed like a doctor's reception, a quartet of blondes with bugely augmented breasts are campaigning for Brad J Jacobs. award-winning breastimplant surgeon", whose handiwork they are demonstrating. According to Brad's banner, he "iovented the procedure to correct the prob-lems of saline implant aug-

I pause at another stand presided over by the portly, bearded pornographer Al Goldstein, Editor and founder of Screw magazine. He is wearing a florid jerkin that matches his complexion and sucking a chocolate finger.

"I'm leaving America." he announces. "I'm going to Amsterdam, where I can smoke Cuban cigars in peace. At 63 I'm an embarrassment to my

Suddenly he encircles my waist with a bearish arm and hauls me on to his lap. "I love you and think of you," he rasps, breathing bot chocolaty fumes oo me. I squirm

ing lecture.
"Raise your hands if you're

comfortable talking about sexual experimentation," cries Sari Locker, the relationship correspondent for Channel 2 News. Today's lecture is called Mind-blowing Sex in the Real World. There are 28 of us in the audience. Sari. author of The Complete Idiors Guide to Amazing Sex, tries again. "Come on, raise your hands," she orders. Eventually, five hands go up

sheepishly. "Wow, we have five sexual experimenters," she says. "So are there any questions?" Unusually, for New Yorkers are generally quick with ques-

tions, there is silence. "Oh, a relatively quiet group," Sari laughs bravely. The silence continues. "Aren't there any areas people are interested in?

Eventually a hand creeps up and a white-faced woman with long black hair mouths something towards podium.

"I can't hear you," Sari says

free and escape to the morn- brightly. "Do you want to repeat your question?" The woman mouths again.

"The question is, 'How do you move from one fetish to another?" roars Sari, making lasso of the microphone cable and striding to the front of the stage as we all swing round to check the woman

With a fetish, communication is very important, very important," Sari replies. And it may be, in the end, that a couple don't have sexual compatibility."

The questioner looks nonplussed and a grey-haired couple sidle out.

"Any other questions! Sari's eyes roam desperately until they settle on my neighbour, an attractive older woman who half raises her hand. "What is mind-blowing sex? I mean, how do you achieve it?"

Sari nods. "Is that your husband with you?" she asks, motioning to the man sitting oext to her. The woman smiles noncommittally. "Hello. sir." Sari says anyway. "1

define mind-blowing sex as when you're totally in the moment. It's like when you know that you are protected from STDs and you're not thinking about how fat your

thighs are." My neighbour stares back doubtfully. I'm older and I have a slightly different perspective," she says hesitantly. "Do you give the same advice

to married people as to young people?"
"Well, in marriage there is the issue of sexual boredom." says Sari. "But you can always try different things. Wear a wig! Lose weight, then it's like having sex with a new body! If you're a man,

buy a penis expander! "A woman doesn't need to have breast augmentation: she can put plastic implants in her bra," she continues ear-nestly. "Or have sex in a busi-ness suit!"

We contemplate this advice until, finally, another woman, sitting on her own, puts her hand up. "Can it still be mind-blowing sex if you feel lonely or sad afterwards?

Caught in the crossfire

uring the break-down of a relationship, the subsequent separation and divorce, one or both parents will have to cope not only with their own feelings but with those of their children. Children are the innocent victims of a relationship that breaks down. They are the reason that parents remain in contact long after the dust has settled on their divorce. They are the ones whom parents should try their utmost to protect from the devastation that an acrimonious divorce can wreak. It will at times be unbelievably difficult.

If you succeed the reward will be well-adjusted and balanced children who will be able to enjoy time with both parents and who can make the most of having two homes.

Children in divorce need to know that both parents still love them; that their parents are divorcing each other, not divorcing themselves from the children. They need to know that by showing love for one parent, they are not betraying the other; that they can continue to love both parents openly without each parent competing for more love. And the only way this can be achieved is through reassurance from

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But how do you do this



when your parmer is demanding contact with the children but refusing to pay maintenance, or flaunting his or her new partner while you suffer the pain of the breakdown? Or when your partner blocks or sabotages your efforts to maintain a relationship with your children? What you really need to avoid is your children

being caught in the middle of a rug-of-war in which no one wins anyunin You need to be constantly aware of the effect that your behaviour will have on the children. Thoughtless or vindictive behaviour towards your partner can rebound, often unintentionally, on the children.

Think before you act. The children need time to adjust. Constant and ferocious conflict between their parents

In the final extract from her new book. Simone E. Katzenberg, a family solicitor, says children must come first

does not help them. There must never be a contest over who has more time with the children: the children must not be made to feel that they have to choose one parent over the other. ft may be that in order to avoid a battle, one of you has to back off to protect your child from a wrangle.

At each stage, step back and try to separate the way you feel towards each other from the dren. Question the motive be hind your actions and try with all honesty to put the children first, doing what is right for them even if it does not necessarily satisfy your needs.

How do you tell the chil-dren? At the breakdown stage. many parents cannot control their emotions in each other's presence. The children may

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have been exposed to frequent tantrums and rages and it may be impossible for the parents to sit down together and explain their plans to them.

The situation at home may have been unstable for so long that the children realise it is just a matter of time before one pareot goes. That in itself may be a relief to them as it will end the constant bickering

In ideal circumstances, you may want to wait a while before you break the news to the children. However, your distress may mean that it is impossible to continue putting

on a brave front. If you can tell the children together, do so. The children can be assured that even Take the though Mum and Dad can and will telephone

no longer live to-

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gether, their continoff the ued love for them remains, independent of their feelings hook, hold for each other. You can all cry together and answer ques-tions the children each other

and talk Provide as much reassurance as you can that they will be able to see the parent who is leaving. What has happened has nothing to do with them but is between you as adults. Your dual role as parents will continue. It will be the beginning of a period of adjustment for all of you, and you must

take it one step at a time. You may be the parent who is left to tell the children without the support of the other parent. Choose a time when no one is in a hurry to get anywhere, no guests are expected and a favourite television programme is not about to start; wait until homework is complete, take the telephone off the hook, hold each other and talk. If a child is about to take exams or a birthday party is imminent, it may be better to wajt until later.

It is important to notify the schools of the situation and to talk to the children's head teachers. The school can give your child any extra attention and support needed, and alert you if any difficulties arise as a result of the breakdown.

If you are the parent who leaves home, notify the school of your change of address. The school can keep you informed of all school activities and functions as well as send you reports, as extra reports need to be requested. If your relationship has broken down to the extent that you are not talking to each other at all, this is important to preserve access to information about the chil-

During the early stages of separation, try to be perceptive towards the often silent signals that children give when they are uncertain and distressed. Encourage them to talk to you - or a close friend or other family member about their concerns. Avoid attributing blame to the other

parent. Step back and see how the children feel, and think of how you can help them. Try to put your feelings for them first. They do not need to be caught in the crossfire of emotions.

If you are the parent who has left, you may desperately want to see the children every day. Try not to demand more than your partner will permit as you will only stir up conflict, frequently in the presence

of the children. Reassure your partner that you are not trying to take the children away. If your partner does not feel threatened, you are likely to find that contact is increased. By stepping back a little you are removing the power that your former part-

ner can exert over you. If you have been left with the children and they speak to your partner on the phone, leave them alone and do not interrupt. If you are the caller, it does not help to criticise the other parent or to tell the children how unhappy you are.

Conflict over the children will continue if your partner is stuck in an emotional stage that you have moved through. If you experience continual difficulties over contact with the children, keep a diary of all telephone calls and contact. This should include attempts to speak to the children when they are "unavailable" and when the answerphone is on in an attempt to block calls, and details of when contact takes place, should have taken

place and did not take place. Only time will tell how the children's relationship with the other parent develops or diminishes. Children adapt and get on with their lives. If they are confident about their continued contact with both parents, they are more likely

to accept the situation. School concerns, parents' evenings. sports days, weddings and family functions may always be uncomfortable. But somehow or other you will all adapt and find a way in which, while not necessarily grinning and bearing it, you will cope.

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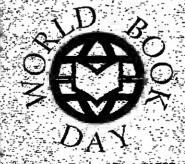
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A scorpions' tale of new Labour

Roland Watson on the feuds

that poison Mandelson's life

t takes a rare mix of the brilliant and the flawed. the spiky and the exooc to elbow aside the Balkans and secure a leading slot on the war-dominated news agenda. But one Labour politician has it. Peter is back. Back in the news and soon to be back in the Government, according to the excited gossip surrounding the launch of a biography, Mr Mandelson's second of the

Whereas the first book took delight in helping to knock him out of Government, the mood music around the second is about rehabilitation. Mr Mandelson is less than four months into an uncertain sentence but already talk of a comeback is in the air. And yet the details contained in Donald Macintyre's book, published today, though considerably less explosive than Paul Routledge's home loan revelaoon, may yet turn out to be

more corrosive. The portrait emerging of the former Trade and Industry Secretary adds to his reputaoon as a famously complex man. He is a prima donna prone to fits of petulance and dramatic door-slamming exits, but also a suffering servant who is prepared to resign rather than allow his epically bad relacions with Gordon Brown threaten Labour's elec-

tion hopes. He is someone enough self-awareness to parody himself as Tony Blair's "little helper". But he is also the reticelebrity. fiercely protective of his sexuality. Mr Mandelson

has always had the power to discomfit the caudous and confound expectations. But even

those accustomed to his distinctive style have raised eyebrows at his latest media strategy. Mr Macintyre's book is enlivened by extensive quotation from a slew of private letters. including some very intimate notes received by Mr Mandelson from Mr Blair.

It appears likely that Mr himself dramatically after his departure from Cabinet just before Christmas. Mr Macintyre's book has not overshot its deadline for nothing. Those close to Mr Mandelson suggest the increased level of co-operation this year was designed to imbue the whole exercise with a cathartic

But how is Mr Blair to feel now that the privacy of his correspondence with Mr Mandelson has been made public? How helpful has Tony's little helper been in revealing that the new Labour project was almost blown apart by two of its strongest personalities? Will the Prime Minister find this feud's eruption into the public domain in all its poisonous detail a "cathartic" experience?

And how, too, is Gordon Brown to feel when he reads the words of Michael Wills, a junior Trade and Industry minister and a part of the Chancellor's inner circle. Mr Wills said of Messrs Brown and Mandelson that they were "like scorpions in a bottle; only one of them will crawl out

The Brown camp is declining to comment on the book. The fact that the Red Lion no longer enjoys as much patronage from Charlie Whelan has meant the waters between the adversaries remain calmer than they might be.

Moreover. Mr Brown has been making genuine at-tempts to help Mr Mandelson tempts to help Mr Mandelson through a gentle rehabilitation. He has brought him into the planning of the Scottish election campaign and the pair have had several posterisignation meetings to try to use the shock of the event to reheat their relationship. reheat their relationship.

But how will the sheer acrimony of their relaconship. understandably described by Mr Macintyre as dysfunctional, help them if and when they become ministerial colleagues again? Cartoonists will have a field day as they address the question of how many scorpions can survive around a Cabinet table.

Mr Mandelson continues to

have fervent supporters in Downing Street who yearn for his return. Blairite ministers have been discreetly canvassing Westminster opinion as to the likely impact of an early Mandelson return. The clear implication is that Mr Blair has not ruled out a comeback for his friend before the next general election. But does the Government

need him? Reladons between Nos 10 and 11 have been considerably better since his Blair may departure. Minisnot be ters no longer feel quite the same need to hasten happy to around Whitehall watching their backs with feverish see his

At the Trade and Industry Depart-ment Stephen By-ers is delivering a published broadly Mandelso-nian agenda, with the odd tweak here and there, albeit

letters

with less of a pro-European agenda. The Government is hardly less popular for his absence, with poll ratings remaining stratospheric. There is a strain of thought,

heretical to his supporters, that the evidence of the past few months shows that Mr Mandelson was the criocal cog in Labour's pre-election wheel and may yet play a similar role in future elections. but that is where he operates

uch a view ignores Mr Mandelson's success at the DTI, where civil servants still mourn his departure, and the fact that it would help Mr Blair if his chief adviser was allowed into the Cabinet loop again.

But it is hard to see Mr

Mandelson's return being accelerated by this week's revelations. Members of the "Way Back" group of Blairites dedi-cated to his return were plotting the Mandelson comeback over homely shepherd's pie and supermarket red wine in the weeks before the book came out. They were confident that a more rounded picture of their friend would begin to emerge this year. They were delighted with his more restrained, almost puritan, backbench profile. But, once again. by thrusting himself forward. Mr Mandelson is not letting his complex character be seen

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in the best light.



Three strikes and out

here are three Kosovan wars running at present. Nato has lost the first, the second is still being fought, and the third has not properly begun. Since conflict takes a mount ing toll on reason, we must struggle

to keep these wars distinct.
War A: This began in January with Nato warning President Milosevic against "a humanitarian disaster in Kosovo". Mr Milosevic declined to be warned Despite intelligence of his aggressive intent against the Kosovan Albanians, Nato's military response was hesitant. It already had 2,000 ground monitors in Kosovo and had placed a 10,000-strong Nato intervention force in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Amid much confusion during the Lewinsky affair, President Clinton's Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright, threatened Mr Milosevic not just with sanctions but with a bombing war if he failed to grant Kosovo "partial autonomy". In March this threat had to be honoured.

Whether Mr Milosevic's Operadon Horseshoe - the methodical cleansing of Kosovo - predated the tory but of a politi-January ultimatum is unclear. What is beyond doubt is that Nato knew of his readiness to visit on the Albanians what Croatia had visited on the Krajina Serbs in 1994-95. After the clearing of Krajina, some 250,000 evicted Serbs descended on Belgrade and demanded Mr Milosevic's head. Having lost Krajina, he was not going to lose Kosovo.

Yet Nato removed the monitors and aid workers from Kosovo. Both groups had served as wimesses and partial restraints on Serb (and Kosovo Liberation Army) atrocities. They were probably the outside world's best hope of impeding Mr Milosevic's grim determination. As it was, far from impeding the disaster. Nato's strategy gave the Serbs a "permissive environment"

for the ethnic cleansing. The cleansing has not been, as Nato spokesmen claim, the worst humanitarian outrage since the Second World War, an exaggeration many Africans and Asians might consider racist. However, it has been brutal and horrific to wimess, and holds a peculiar abhorrence to Europeans within the memory of Hitler's war. As of yesterday, more than half the Albanian population of Kosovo has been expelled from the province. The rest have probably been killed or are being held hostage. Mr Milosevic's Operation

Nato is fighting a trio of wars with

Milosevic - and none will succeed

Horseshoe may be a sick and hollow victory over a burnt and empty land. But for Serb nationalists the securing of Kosovo is a triumph, achieved while the mightiest armed force in the world did nothing but dally and bomb. Nato pledged to draw the line against Mr Milosevic in Kosovo, and did not do so. Nato sent in monitors, then withdrew them. Nato sent reinforcements to Macedonia but left them setting up camps for victims of a war Nato half-threatened but would not fight. War A has been lost.

War B: This is a quite separate

waged at a vertical distance of 15,000ft over War A and mostly in the Danube basin 200 miles from Kosovo. It is a classic air war, in pursuit not of terrical goal, as in Iraq, change its mind. As tives tend to be hazy and shifting. Air defences and other military targets are bombed first. As these targets are exhausted "target

war. It is being

drift" starts, leading to a drift in objectives. Since War A is all but over, there seems little point in risking pilots by attacking the Yugoslav Army in the field. Nato is now powerless to stop ethnic cleansing, unless it can induce Mr Milosevic to change his mind.

Targets are thus extended to non-military sites, to blocking the Danube and to destroying chemical factories, fertiliser plants, roads and bridges. Nato is seeking to impose a crippling economic burden on the Yugoslav people -- we hear no more about "just bombing Milosevic" in the hope of turning them against their elected Government and forcing Mr Milosevic from power. Hence the toxic cloud over Belgrade. Hence the emphasis on Nato's "credibility", as if credibility lay in demonstrating the sheer potency of

Nato's weapons.

Such political objectives are noto-

riously hard to control. They depend on an accurate reading of the internal policies of a State under siege. Victories are measured not in burning tanks or factories but in morale, propaganda and power play. Last week War B briefly intruded on the tail-end of War A. when Nato bombed a refugee convoy. Spin-doctors sought to dismiss it as an accident of war and attacked the media, including reporters working against ferocious odds in Belgrade. But in wars such as War B, collateral damage is always a victory for the enemy. The success

> in media coups de théatre. Nato's Jamie Shea is a frontline general. This second war has not yet been won or lost it is conceivable, but unlikely, that history could be stood on its head and Yugoslavia be the first country bombed into changing its Government. Other apologists suggest that ten up" Mr Milosevic for some Russian-UN deal, to get

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Albanian resettlement monitoring force into Kosovo. I still think a version of this is the most plausible outcome of War B. but it would be hard to avoid calling it another defeat. Nato would have fought its way back to much the same trench as it was in last October. Or Nato might simply continue its act of punishment until it has made Belgrade another Stalingrad. This "Stone Age" strategy, launched with similar conviction on Vietnam, is the logical consequence of credibility and a "just war" taking precedence over common sense. To call this winning

War B would be absurd. War C: This is the war that dares Nato to breathe its name. Despite denials, a force of 80,000 troops appears to be moving into position to invade Kosovo and set up what would amount to a Western military

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exception of Whipsnade). Her Majesty is permitted to feed the

Then it comes to shop-

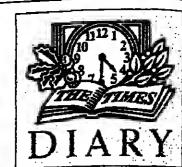
protectorate. This involves abandon-ing Nato's pledge that it would send settlement, once considered a legal necessity for such intervention. It flatly contradicts Robin Cook's assurance, repeated yesterday, that "We're not going to fight our way in. We've made that very clear from the start. It would involve too many casualoes." Bill Clinton and Tony Blair have pledged likewise. Yet War C's sabre-rattling gives Mr Milosevic every inducement to prepare his people and his army for an invasion. He is now mining the roads and appears to be holding back tens of thousands of refugees as potential human shields.

ar C was always reject-

ed by Nato because democracy would not wear it. Democracy apparently wanted Mr Milosevic to be stopped, but cleanly and not at the expense of any Nato lives. Bombers are not allowed to fly low: they can risk missing their targets but not getting killed. Nato wants to seem tough, but tough at 15,000ft, not in a "bayonet, knife and bullet war". That is why Nato would not fight War A. Because of that timidity, democracy may now be asked to stomach the same war but at a vastly higher cost. Nobody could say that War C is unwinnable. Kosovo is not the same as Vietnam and if Nato cannot hold a province the size of Yorkshire it is in dire straits. But a Nato-ruled Kosovo would be even more burnt and barren than it is now. Kosovo cannot be rendered "autonomously" Albanian, only autonomously Nato. War Ccannot rectify War A. It could only be a war of punitive desperation. It would do little more than change the guard over Kosovo's empty fields and rotting corpses. They are Mr Milosevic's doing, for which his people and perhaps a court of law will one day hold him to account. Nato cannot be party to yet

Of these three wars, War C is the only one that is militarily coherent, yet it is the maddest war of all. Mr Clinton and Mr Blair are right on this: the cost is too great for the gain. So where has Nato's hubris got us? I can hardly believe it. The turbulent 20th-century is about to end on a note of stupendous irony: a worsted Nato pleading with Russia to sue for

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Willson wheels

READERS are doubtless impressed with the passion Quentin Willson, a presenter on the BBC's Top Gear. displays when condemning the evils of "clocking". Quent, the Nissan Micra to

Jeremy Clarkson's Rolls-Royce, has been a victim himself of the Arthur Daley practice of rewinding mileometers. But in his case he ended up being convicted of supplying a clocked car before he joined the TV series in 1991.

Willson (left, pictured with Clarkson) emphasises it was ignorance. As a former car dealer himself, he bought the vehicle at auction, was unaware of its true mileage and sold it on to a private buyer, and then came unstuck.

A friend of his at the BBC says: "Quentin wants improved legisla-tion in this area. He wants consumers and the motor industry to be better protected, which is why he writes about it in his column.



A PLUTOCRAT bearing o vague resemblance to Geoffrey Robinson. now free to spend more time with his money, was sighted of The Savoy. Gloomily, the figure reflected: "It is very difficult to buy o decent bottle of wine in London for under £400 these days."

TIT IS a rare privilege to read one's own obituary. But as Dave Swarbrick learnt of his demise in The Daily Telegraph he had reason to believe that reports of his death had been rather exaggerated.

Jilly, wife of the former Fairport Convention violinist, awoke to an anxious call from a friend. "It came as a sledgehammer," she says. Now our Dave had been a bit peaky (his emphysema had been aggravated by a chest infection and he had been flown back from Germany to a Coventry hospital): but he had just moved to an ordinary ward and was looking forward to a visit from a physio. Swarb, as he is known to intimates, took it well: "It's not the first time I have died in Coventry."

Those undertakers on The Daily Telegraph obituary desk (who always look forward to a cold snap) say simply: "We were just misinformed, that's all." I, for one, wish Mr Swarbrick a speedy recovery.



DOES Martin Bell want to move to Manhattan? On a beano to Kosovo just before the bombing. Nations sorts about the possibility of a juicy job once his mandate as Tatton's MP runs out. But I hear his audience was distinctly unimpressed with our Mart.

Russians at the UN feel that when he was reporting the Bosnian war he was too matey with the Muslims, who they thought were just as beastly as the Croats and Serbs. The Russians would block his appointment because they feel Bell's stance would be unhelpful.

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PRINCIPLES are handy. Luciano Benetton, he of the tasteless adverts and even more alarming jumpers, has refused to pay tax on his Argentine properties. It's not that he's tight, you understand: Mr Benetton is protesting against a recent land tax hike — to a crippling 3 per cent.

■ CHERIE BOOTH's motivation for joining Labour in 1970 when she was a sweet 16 was purely romantic. She was recruited into the Young Socialists by a Mrs Speight. a teacher at her school (was this ethical, me wonders).

The PM's wife admits: "I joined with friends. I suspect our motives were more social than poliocal as it was a good way to meet boys." Later she learnt that there were better catches to be had in chambers than on those dreary ban the bomb marches.

JASPER GERARD

'On trains, Her Majesty is allowed to smoke in the lavatories, although not cigars or pipes'

day. I know that you will want me not only to wish her many happy unofficial returns on all our behalfs, but also to take this opportunity to reply to those countless thousands of you who wrote to me regarding the recent Buckingham Palace statement that the Queen was exempt, "by reason of her special position", from the law requiring her subjects to wear a rear seatbelt. Were there, you clamoured to learn, any other special dispensations which Her Ma-

jesty alone enjoyed? The reason that I have not replied earlier is because, not surprisingly, there turned out to be a huge amount of painstaking research involved; but I'm delighted to tell you that I am now, at last, in a position to publish in the national interest what f hope with all my heart is a usefully

When not travelling by car, for

ince today is HM the informative — if by no means Queen's unofficial birth- comprehensive — list. comprehensive — list. example, Her Majesty is uniquely entitled to stand upstairs on buses. Should she spit, however, she is liable to the same fine as anyone else, although she would, of course, be given time to pay. On trains, she is allowed to smoke in the lavatories, but not cigars or pipes. She may also lean out of the window without penalty, except on InterCity routes. On the London Underground, she may not go up a down escalator, or vice-versa, but she is allowed to jump over the barrier if she hears her Tube train coming, provided she has a valid ticket for the journey. When flying, she is not permitted to get up before the plane has come to a complete halt, but she does not have to take care when opening the overhead lockers. She is of course, allowed to lean her

windows. Sport, as you might expect, is a somewhat more complex juridical area for Her Majesty.

When bowling, she is permitted to deliver more than one bouncer per over - except in one-day matches - but she is nevertheless required to observe current ECB dress-codes and not wear a headscarf when batting or fielding. She can be given out Ibw, but never stumped, and in the unfortunate event of a run-out, it is her partner who must surrender his wicket, irrespective of

fault. As to football, the Queen is

allowed, when playing in goal, to

move before a penalty is struck,

and would not normally be sent

off for bad language, unless violence were involved. In rug-

to call for a mark or Hlan leave the field when bleeding, and in tennis she may abuse her racket as much as she likes. In athletic compehigh jump and, when throwing the hammer, to put one foot, but not both, outside the circle.

uniquely permitted to carry a spare baton in the 4 x 400

tition, she is allowed four attempts at the The Queen is also

relay, in case she drops one. In snooker, she is permitted to pot the six remaining colours in any order she chooses. Should her opponent go down during a boxing match, Her Majesty is not required to walk to a neutral

ping, the Queen is allowed to go through the checkout marked "6 items or less" with 7 items or more, but no special dispensation applies in regard to taking the trolley from the premises. In Post Offices. staff may not ask her to go to the next counter, and in petrol stations she does not have to switch off the engine while filling up, though she must take the cigarette out of her mouth. She is

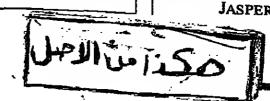
allowed to bring her dog into foodshops, but if it widdles against anything, she is not exempt from prosecution, provid-She is allowed to busk on her prominently displayed. highway, but not in public

ed a notice to that effect is Should, however, a notice be houses which do not have a prominently displayed in any

stickers will be prosecuted. Her Majesty may safely ignore this, just as she may with impunity disregard any injunction to leave these premises as she would wish to find them. She is not, mind, exempt from the law in the matter of spraying graffiti, and if told to use the footbath before entering a public swimming-pool, she is legally obliged to comply. She is allowed to drop litter only in the royal parks, but may walk on the grass wherever she takes a fancy to do so.

public place stating that bill

And finally, when driving — in addition to the seatbelt dispensation with which we began all this - Her Majesty is also allowed to hoot after 11pm, and overtake in the Blackwall Tunnel. If she were to park on a double-yellow line, however, her car would be liable to be towed away, but only by a peer of the realm, with a silken rope.













THETTIMES

FOOD FOR THE TABLE

Tories need big ideas not small improvements

William Hague spent last night at a dinner to mark the 20th anniversary of Margaret Thatcher's initial election as Prime Minister. He paid a full and appropriate tribute, mindful all the while of the giant gulf between his current prospects and her past achievements. Anniversaries are potent fathers of mythology. It is fashionable in certain Tory circles today to present the Conservative manifesto of 1979 as a seed that contained within it a fully-developed philosophy and programme. In truth, this document was a much more modest text.

That Conservative manifesto did, however, concentrate on the right issues. Mrs Thatcher identified the basic rate of income tax, trade union power, and the dire performance of a state-saturated economy as the central questions. These were, to borrow from Mr Hague's recently adopted vocabulary, the "kitchen table" issues that then absorbed the electorate. The Thatcher Governments proposed radical solutions but imposed their approach step-by-step. This combination of steely principle with subtle practice has ensured her legacy.

Maurice Saatchi and Peter Lilley were both significant figures in the Thatcher years. Lord Saatchi was then known primarily for his powers of presentation. Mr Lilley for his policy initiatives. In a pamphlet published by the Centre for Policy Studies today and in the Rab Butler memorial lecture delivered yesterday these two men have traded places. Lord Saatchi and Dr Peter Warburton put forward the sort of radical plan for the reform of the tax and benefits system that would once have been associated with Mr Lilley. The former Cabinet minister explored the reasons why voters do not trust the Tories to run public services in a public spirited manner and what might be done to rectify this.

Lord Saatchi has made much the more convincing transformation. He argues that the Conservatives need a small set of big ideas that must include a fresh initiative on taxation. This contrasts with the views of the Conservative leader who has convinced himself that his party is seen as "obsessed by economics". According to the Saatchi thesis, voters shifted their support in 1997 because Tony Blair had eased concerns about Labour's competence to protect their incomes and because the Conservatives. after the ERM exit and huge tax increases, had betrayed their supporters. In short, on economics the Tories were not working.

The radical proposals to address this failure rest on a simplification of the tax and benefits system and at this stage, as the authors concede, are not fully developed. Currently small amounts of tax are extracted from a large number of relatively poor people who then need to have their incomes "topped up" by benefits. As well as ors would like to eradicate the vast numbers of tax allowances and reliefs within what is a hideously complicated tax structure. These two ideas would allow for the merger of several government agencies, thus producing administrative savings that could be redirect-

ed towards health and education spending. This emphasis on tax simplification is right in itself and also one on which the Conservative Party should have already been offering proposals. It has not put forward ideas of consequence in this or any other area. A policy review is taking place under Mr Lilley: but if it were to move any more slowly a bunch of flowers and a letter of condolence would be in order.

In his lecture the Tory deputy leader noted that the Tories were not seen as credible custodians of public services because all too often they appeared to have nothing positive to articulate about them. He suggested that his party would not be able to advance enhanced private provision within a public-private partnership while its real objective appeared to be an outright privatisation of services for which there was no free market alternative.

Mr Lilley should then have outlined the language and policies that might persuade voters to embrace a different balance between public and private activity. Instead he stressed the limits of market economics with such intensity as to convince his listeners that the private sector was already making the maximum desirable contribution. He claimed that there was "no logical reason why any Conservative would want to restrict provision of health care, education or welfare below what the general public want and are prepared to pay for". Incremental improvement was the best he could offer.

This was less the Rab Butler than the Neville Chamberlain memorial lecture. Mr Lilley asserted that the NHS as currently constituted provides a level of service that works "as well as any in the world". He thought that education policy required devolving power not to parents, headteachers or schools but to teachers. Instead of demanding further welfare reform he seemed proud that the current discredited edifice had been "safe in our hands". If the rest of the Tory policy review looks anything like this farrago from the focus groups, there will be little hope for the party at the next election.

Mr Hague has rightly told the Shadow Cabinet that it must concentrate on the issues that matter to ordinary voters. The Conservatives must also associate themselves with substantial solutions to these core problems. They should pursue radical ends by empathetic means not incremental ends by means that are pathetic. Lord Saatchi and Peter Warburton have pointed the Conservative Party in the right direction. Mr Lilley seems, sadly, to prefer a form of intellectual surrender. Mr Hague btain a tighter grip on the policy process. There is little point in asking voters to sit around the kitchen table if all the Tories can provide is such gruel.

BEYOND THE BALKANS

Ankara's new Government should beware the call of the wild

Moderate Turkey has swung towards nationalism. In elections this week, 38 million voters favoured the Democratic Left party of Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit and also the far-right Nationalist Action party known to history as the Grey Wolves. The result makes it likely that Turkey's next government will be a robust coalition led by these two forces.

There is less to fear from this than meets the eye. The vote marks discontent with the weak political establishment; the desire it shows for strong government is positive. Graft and feuds have crippled six Governments since 1995. Economic reform is stalled. Ankara has failed to quell Kurdish nationalist unrest in the southeast. Requests to join the European Union have been snubbed.

This secular protest against Turkey's weakness is less alarming than the religious protest of elections in 1995. A shortlived Islamic Government irritated the army, which saw it as a threat to the secular constitution. The army will be

relieved by the Islamists' slump now. Mr Ecevit has become the symbol of national decisiveness by luck. He took over

just a few weeks before the February capture of Kurdish nationalist Abdullah Ocalan, which prompted a surge of gratitude. But the respect he commands for ordering the invasion of Cyprus in 1974 will make him a stable coalition leader.

There is no immediate cause for concern about Turkey's foreign policy. Chilly relations with Europe could get chillier. But Europeans have only themselves to blame, after shabby treatment of a state whose wish for closer ties deserves respect.

What would cause alarm would be a more aggressive stance towards Turkey's rival, Greece, or bolder policy in its Balkan backyard. Either would worsen regional tension and revive fears of Turkish invasion among Greeks and Serbs. Here, Mr Ecevit should muzzle his probable partners. Nationalist Action's pan-Turkic ideology holds that Turks from the Balkans to China are one nation, led across the world by a legendary grey wolf. In the 1970s, they used violence; now they promise tamer tactics. But snapping at Kurds or regional rivals must be avoided. It would be dangerous to let the grey wolves have their head.

NOT BY SEA

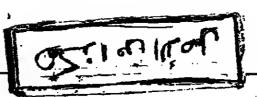
New Roman ships but no Latin love

A schoolboy, gazing at a map of the Roman Empire, might deduce that the Romans were skilled sailors, whose power rested on their maritime might. Rome was so conveniently placed for the sea. And it was surely the most awkward place from which to run a land empire: an army had to march half way up Italy before it could

even begin a journey anywhere. The opposite was the case. The Romans were not natural sailors. Evidence of their power is the straight roads which crisscross Europe, not shipwrecks. Earlier this week, archaeologists near Pisa exhumed eight Roman ships. One might be the first warship ever found on what the Romans had the chutzpah to call "mare nostrum".

Our sea. Rome's weakness was most seriously exposed when Carthage sent a fleet against Sicily during the first Punic War. The Romans responded by exploiting and improving others' inventions. Greek shipbuilders were employed to build a fleet of triremes and quinqueremes, the latter patterned after a Carthiginian warship. The Romans then changed naval warfare into something closer to that of a land battle by introducing the corvus - a hinged gangplank with a grappling hook. Instead of ramming a ship first, then boarding it later, Roman captains perfected the art of ram-raiding.

These innovations helped Rome to notch up a number of naval victories and secure trade routes to the breadbasket of Egypt. Yet although they boasted of supremacy "terra marique" - on land and sea - the Romans continued to rely on others to crew their boats. Nor, as their poets regularly proved, did they ever love life at sea. Lucretius enjoyed watching, from the safety of land, a ship being tossed about on a stormy sea. He did not relish the sufferings of others, merely realising what troubles he had been spared. Romans may have tried to rule the waves, but they never loved being on them.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Labour MP backs war reporters

From Mrs Alice Mahon, MP for Halifax (Labour)

Sir, Congratulations on your leader defending freedom of speech on the bombing of Yugoslavia ("Sword and pen", April 16). Journalists such as John Simpson [letters, April 17 and 20], Robert Fisk and Tom Walker, who have the courage to report to us from a country under aerial hombardment, deserve nothing but praise for their efforts, irrespective of whether one agrees with the content of individual reports. Government ministers routinely describe Yugoslav television coverage of the war as hateful propaganda and even threatened at one point to bomb Serb transmitters because, hardly surprisingly, they showed little enthusiasm for Nato bombing their cities to rubble.

Yet the same ministers and officials, who criticise propaganda from the other side, are using anonymous briefings to try to impugn the integrity of the small number of Western journalists providing us with on-the-spot reports of the effects of the bombing being done in our name within Yugoslavia. The reason for this is clear. No objective observer on the spot could fail to note the systematic destruction of the civilian infrastructure by Nato bombers and the fact that virtually the entire Serbian population opposes this — just as much as we would if it were being

done to our own country.

It may not be good news to learn that Nato bombs are uniting the Serbs behind Milosevic, or killing civilians every day, but it is certainly relevant when considering the pros and cons of

this undeclared and illegal war. In reality, most of our media are overwhelmingly influenced by Nato's own scarcely credible war propagan-da. Journalists who try to report Objectively, or have the temerity to ask ministers difficult questions, are performing a public service. They should be praised, not vilified.

The British public has the right to know the effect of bombing upon the lives and attitudes of the innocent population of Yugoslavia. If this raises questions about the aims and methods being used in what we were told would be a "humanitarian war", then those legitimate public concerns must be debated not suppressed.

Yours faithfully, ALICE MAHON. House of Commons. 25

From Mr F. J. Howard

Sir, I'm sure that during the Second World War Winston Churchill would have loved to have had a German reporter in London regularly telling his countrymen how well the British people were standing up to German bombing raids and how firmly united they were behind their leader.

The only reason John Simpson and his ilk are allowed to remain in Belgrade is because it suits Milosevic to have them there. When it did not suit in Kosovo, he threw them out.

Yours sincerely, FRANK HOWARD. 37 Alcester Road, Lickey End, Bromsgrove B60 UT.

From Mr Neven Legaic

Sir. You note that as Nato bombing continues it will "pulverise the Yugoslav economy" (leading article, "Clear

targets". April 14).
It is hard to imagine how a destroyed and impoverished Serbia will contribute to stability in Europe. Not only is bombing bridges, factories and other non-military targets wreck-ing what little remains of Yugoslavia's near-bankrupt economy but it is also weakening the democratic opposition to Milosevic. Europe already has one country where lawlessness and anar-chy prevail, which is Albania. Nato bombs appear to be creating another.
It is also hard to imagine how more

bombing will help make Kosovo a safer place for civilians — Albanian and Serbian — given that the bomb-ing has fuelled extremism on both sides.

Any attempt to use ground troops to "drive [the Serb forces] out of Kosovo" would lead to enormous casualties. Not only would Serbia be fighting to defend its sovereignty, but it would also be defending its historic heart-land. Western leaders continue to underestimate the Serbs' emotional and spiritual attachment to Kosovo. For better or worse, most Serbs would eat grass before giving up Kosovo.

Yours faithfully, NEVEN LEZAIC. 43 Shepherds Busb Road, W6 7LU.

From Mr Anthony Morris

Sir, As a veteran of combined operations on D-Day, in Burma and French Indo-China (now Vietnam). 1 agree completely with the gist of Mr Crispin Blunt's letter (April 14), but would go further and suggest that if our Prime Minister had been properly advised, he may have been the only person who could have diverted President Clinton from pressing Nato into the current operation with its increasingly tragic results.

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY MORRIS. Carn Brea, Castle Drive, St Mawes, Truro, Cornwall TR2 5DE.

Reform of prisons and probation

From Mr Terence Crolley

Sir, The Government must make up its mind about the role of compassion in the criminal justice system. Its muddled thinking is neatly demonstrated by the juxtaposition of your two stories on April 14. The first reports that the Chief Inspector of Prisons would like the Prison Service to be more caring: the second that the Home Secretary wants the Probation Service to be more authoritarian.

Is it any wonder the public is confused?

Yours sincerely, TERENCE CROLLEY (Assistant Chief Probation Officer, 1984-94), 12 Stanley Road, Maghull, Merseyside L31 5JL. April 16.

From Mr Stanley Best

Sir, Having read the report by the Chief Inspectors of Prisons and Probation (article, "Lifers spend too long in prison", April 7) I must agree with the authors that the system is in need of urgent reform. The unevenness of treatment mentioned is reflected in other ways as well.

As counsel instructed on behalf of a number of prisoners seeking, from time to time, judicial review of Parole Board decisions, I am told of the difficulties solicitors have in obtaining instructions from prisoners. Whereas many prison officers are helpful and compassionate, some are obstructive,

The solicitor, having booked a visit, may be told on arrival that there is no record of it and cannot see the prisoner. The visiting room at one prison, I am told, seems to be continually "being painted" so that visits are delayed. No sooner are they started, in a corridor, than visiting time is declared at an end.

The solicitor may be rejected for lack of proof of identity, even when he or she has visited that prison more than once and provided ample proof. I suspect that this difficulty is not confined to one or two individuals and suggest that the chief inspectors

system. There are no uniform visiting hours or days and arranging, from a distance, to make more than one visit a day is impossible.

should investigate this blot on the

Yours faithfully, STANLEY BEST. Veritas Chambers, 33 Corn Street. Bristol BSI 1HT. April 13.

From the Chair of the Association of Chief Officers of Probation

Sir, Your leader "On probanon" (April 14) is right to idenoity finding legislative time as the greatest hurdle for reform of probation services but we would dispute your conclusion that probation "is unlikely to make good election fodder".

The probation services' business is serious and large-scale it involves supervision of over 185,000 offenders. including society's most dangerous, difficult and damaged individuals.

A reorganised probation service with national direction, local administration and better integrated with the other criminal justice services like the police and the courts will be of immeasurable public benefit. The significance of bringing forward legislation cannot be underestimated in terms of reducing crime and meeting the Home Secretary's wish for greater public confidence in a more coherent criminal justice system.

Yours faithfully, GEOFF DOBSON. Chair, Association of Chief Officers of Probation. 4th Floor, 8-9 Grosvenor Place, SWIX 7SH. April 16.

Digital TV

From the Chief Executive of the Granada Group, and others

Sir, We read with concern Ray Snoddy's column in Media Times (April 16), where he states that Sir John Birt is leaning toward the option of a higher licence fee for digital television as a means of giving the BBC extra funds. As the Chairman of the BBC Funding Review Panel, Gavyn Davies, has himself argued, this would represent a substantial disincentive to the take-up of digital television.

The Government and the industry have been working to facilitate the introduction of digital television services to the advantage of viewers. broadcasters, programme producers and the electronic manufacturing and retailing industries alike. As a result, the UK now leads the world in developing digital television.

The introduction of a higher digital television licence fee would threaten the enormous progress which has been made so far. We therefore urge both the BBC Funding Review Panel

'Lost' war memorial

From the Chairman of the Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts

Sir, I am obviously concerned as to how the Liverpool Institute's Second World War memorial fell into the hands of a second-hand furniture dealer in the city (report and letter, April 20). The memorial was, in fact, not in the building when we acquired

it from Liverpool City Council.

My trustees have always been most concerned to ensure that this historic building's mementos are preserved and, indeed, we recently opened a History Corner in the institute. We would be delighted to include this memorial in the building at any time.

I am certain that all the previous scholars (including some of my own family) who graduated from this building, now restored by LIPA from its dilapidated state, are proud that it has already proved such a success with our young students today. Yours faithfully.

ANTHONY FIELD. Chairman, The Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts. Mount Street, Liverpool LI 9HF. April 20.

EU patron saint

From Mr C. P. Dixon

Sir, Mr James Macdonald is incorrect when he suggests (letter, April 14) that Europe is without a patron saint. St Benedict was proclaimed patron of Europe — feast day, July 11 — back in the 1960s.

Since the monks of St Benedict were pre-eminent in seeing Europe through the Dark Ages, perhaps we should present a copy of his Rule to every new MEP?

PETER DIXON. 18 Carlisle Road, Hampton. Middlesex TW12 2UL dixons@globalnet.co.uk April 14.

From Mr John Offord Sir, Perhaps the honour should go to

and the Government to reject this idea, which would hinder the development of digital television and operate against the UK's wider industrial

Yours sincerely, CHARLES ALLEN, Chief Executive, Granada Group and Chairman, GMTV, MARK BOOTH. Chief Executive, BSkyB, STEVEN CAIN. Chief Executive, Carlson Communications, GREG CLARKE. Chief Executive, Cable and Wireless Communications, STEPHEN GRABINER. Chief Executive, ONdigital, TONY ILLSLEY. Chief Executive, Telewest Communications

FRANK McGETTIGAN, Director and General Manager, Channel 4, MALCOLM WALL. Chief Executive, United Broadcasting and Entertainment, c/o Granada Group, Stornoway House, Cleveland Road, SWIA IGG. April 19.

Korea reunion

From Mr Keith M. Taylor

Sir, Your reporter Alan Hamilton writes today of the warm welcome from the people of South Korea for the royal visit. Veterans from all the 22 countries around the world which fought in the Korean War (1950-53) under the UN flag have also received immense hospitality and generosity from the Koreans on their revisit programmes every year. In July, the British Korean Veterans

Association is hosting in London a four-day world reunion which will be the first at which all 22 countries will be represented. It will include a service at St Paul's Cathedral, a parade on Horse Guards and a gala dinner hosted by the Korean Minister of Patriots and Veterans Affairs. All Korean war veterans will be welcome and this will further enhance the excellent relationships at every level with the people of South Korea.

Yours faithfully, KEITH M. TAYLOR (Patron and Chairman. Organising Committee), British Korean Veterans Association. 38 Spring Street, W2 IJA. April 19.

Yours etc.

Robert Louis Stevenson. You will

recall he crossed Europe with a donkey, and after a suitably prolonged gestation period the EU came into existence.

Yours sincerely. JOHN OFFORD, Merton Grounds. Bicester, Oxfordshire OX6 0NS. April 15.

From Mr Julian Crispin Sir, St Crispin, as the patron saint of cobblers, must have a strong claim. Yours faithfully, JULIAN CRISPIN. 18 Oakcroft Road, SE13 7ED.

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Bees, pollen and modified crops

From Professor George Smith. FRS

Sir. The Department of the Environment has finally discovered that pollen can travel large distances, and that the main agents for this transmis-sion are bees. What an amazing scientific breakthrough after intensive research (report, April 15).

This clearly came as a great shock to the members of the Government's Advisory Committee on Releases to the Environment (Acre), and may be linked to the ending of the appointments of 10 of the 13 members of that committee ("We modify their genes at our peril", Weekend, April 17), which was widely reported last week. It also undermines the whole of the present approach to the isolation of genetically modified crops. How could such an august body have been blind to such an obvious truth for so long?

Yours organically, GEORGE SMITH, Trinity College, Oxford OXI 3BH.

From Mr Borry Webb

Sir, Had scientists and the Whitehall mandarins had the sense to listen to beekeepers, countrymen or organic growers like myself they would have learnt, long before they embarked on testing GM crops, that bees fly up to three miles from their hives in search of food.

But bees whose operations overlap those whose territory includes the GM crop will also come into contact with genetically modified pollen and carry it on because both sets will be visiting the same plants; so the range

of influence is up to at least six miles. The varroa mite, which has devastated our domesticated honey bees, has leapt in six-mile strides from hive to hive. What makes our scienosts think that the same won't have happened to the GM genes? Clare Short, the International De-

velopment Secretary, whom you quote (earlier editions), is right to question the motives of large companies in marketing GM foods in Third World countries.

Yours sincerely, BARRY WEBB, 3 Coed-y-llyn, Cardiff CF2 6HR. April 16.

New D-G for the BBC

From Mt Henry Kemp

Sir. Let us hope that Sir Christopher Bland, as Chairman of the BBC Governors, will vigorously pursue his as-sertion (letter, April 20) that the polihas always been and will continue to be jealously guarded. Cracks have certainly appeared in this policy over recent years and the appointment of a new Director-General would afford an excellent opportunity to redress

any imbalance perceived of late. We are assured that the best man for the job will be given the post. To have appeared publicly to have been fervently supporting any particular political party must throw doubt on a candidate's bias.

to a party of whatever persuasion can hardly be regarded as a serious qualification for such an influential Yours faithfully,

To have given a donation of £50,000

HENRY S. KEMP, Il Stevens Lane, Rotherfield Peppard, Henley-on-Thames. Oxfordshire RG9 5RG. April 20.

Church standards

From Mr David Wickens

Sir, I am encouraged by the Advertis-ing Standards Authority's ruling against a church that claimed a disabled man had been cured by the power of Jesus (report, April 12). This is not because I have any doubt about the evidence of healing and Resurrection in the Bible but because I look forward to similar scrutiny by the ASA of the claims made by political parties in their various manifestos.

May we all look forward to

appropriate compensation if they fail

to meet their promises? Yours faithfully, DAVID WICKENS, 18 Ruspers. Burgess Hill, West Sussex RH15 0EB.

April 12.

Years of training

From Mr Jamie Pearson

Sir, At 48 years old, with a debutante time of 6:37:30 in Sunday's London Marathon, 1 note in today's report that I had a later arrival - by 5 minutes 54 seconds - than that of 89-year-old Mr Abraham Weintraub., ft may be worth noting that my

supporters, having cheered me past the Tower of London, raced to Blackfriars via the Tube . . . only to discover that I had already limped past. and had arrived at Temple Station. Perhaps an unfair comparison, as

surely the District Line is older than Mr Weintraub?

Yours faithfully, JAMIE PEARSON (Race no. 4269). 40 Choumert Square, SE15 4RE. April 19.



COURT CIRCULAR

HYATT HOTEL, SEOUL March 20: The Queen and The

Duke of Edinburgh this morning visited the Daewoo Design Forum and met engineers from the Daewoo rechnical centre in Worthing, Her Majesty subsequently visit-ed Ani Dream Animation Studio

and later, with The Duke of Edinburgh, met Korean and British business leaders at the Hyatt

The Queen this afternoon visited Ehwa Women's University, and called at calligraphy, pottery and hanbok shops in Insadong.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this evening attended a State Dinner given by The President and First Lady at the Blue

House, The Duke of Edinburgh this morning visited Daeryung Electronics and Jungsoo Polytechnic College.

His Royal Highness hosted a lunch for Korean and British business leaders at the Hyatt Hotel, and later inspected construcoon work at the World Cup Football Stadium and the Kayang

Bridge, and visited the LG Corporate Institute al Technology. The Lord Faringdon. Lord in Waiting, was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning upon the Arrival of President McAleese and welcomed The President of treiand of behalf of The

Birthdays today The Queen celebrates her 73rd hirthday today. Mrs Angela Barren, tennis champi-on, 67; Professor Gerald Benney, goldsmith, 69; Mr I.W. Bruce, director general, RNIB, 54; Sir George Burton, farmer chairman. Fisons, 83: Mr Laurence Ellis, farmer Rector, Edinburgh Academy. 67; Ms Cheryl Gillan, MP. Shadow Foreign and Common-wealth Minister, 47: Mr Robin Courlay, chairman, Anglian Water. 60: Mr J.M. Greenwood. former senior partner, Nabarro Nathanson, 64; Air Marshal Sir John Hunter-Tod, 82; Sir Robin Jobs, former chairman, Lloyds TSB Group, 73; Mr John McCabe, concern pianist, 60; Mrs Christina Maher, founder and director, Plain English Campaign, 61: Dr Halfdan Mahler, former secretary-general, International Plann-ed Parenthood Federation, 76; Sir John Mortimer, QC, barrister and author, 76: Sir Michael Oswald, director, Royal Studs, 65; Sir Geoffrey Palmer, former Prime Minister of New Zealand, 57; Mr Anthony Quinn, actor, 34: Major-General Sir John Swinton, Lord-Lieutenant of Berwickshire, 74: the

Lecture

Earl of Verulam, 48.

the RA. Butter fecture last night at the Coningsby Club. Mr Jeremy Quin, chairman of the club, presid-ed. The Officers and Committee were the hosts.

Coningsby Club Mr Peier Lilley, Deputy Leader of

Conservative Party, delivered

Service dinner

HMS Victory
Admiral Sir John Brigstocke, Second Sea Lord and Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command, and Lady Brigstocke were the hosts at a dinner held last night in HMS Victory.

Among those present were:
The Bishen of Porsmorth and Mrs.

The Bishop of Portsmouth and Mrs Stevenson, Alderman Sir Richard and Lady Nichols, Sir Robert and Lady Walmsley, the Chairman of the NELC and Mrs Bridge-man, Mr and Mrs Peter Nicholson, Rear-Admiral and Mrs Tony Norman and Mrs Sue Cohu.

CLARENCE HOUSE April 20: Mrs Michael Gordon Lennox has succeeded the Hon Mrs Rhodes at Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Moth-ST JAMES'S PALACE

April 20: The Prince of Wales, as Patron of The Abbeyfield Society. visited the Abbeyfield home at Leominster. **BUCKINGHAM PALACE**

March 20: The Prince Edward. Chairman, Internadonal Council of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Association. held a lunch in support of the Gold Millennium Encounter, a joint venture between The Duke of Edinburgh's Award and the President's Award - Gaisce, which was attended by President McAleese, President of Ireland, at St James's

BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 20: The Princess Royal this evening attended the Military Knights of Windsor Dinner at Windsor Castle.

KENSINGTON PALACE April 20: The Duke of Gloucester Patron, Construction Industry Trust for Youth [CITY], this evening attended a piano recital, Drapers' Hall, London. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK April 20: Princess Alexandra this evening attended a Reception for the Royal National Institute for the Blind at St James's Palace.

Today's royal engagements The Princess Royal, as Past Mas-ter, the Carmen's Company, will attend a dinner at Plaisterers' Hall, 1 London Wall, London EC2.

The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the Order of St John, will anend a charity concert held by the Polish Association of the Order of Malta at the Polish Embassy, 447 Portland Place, London W1, at The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, BLISS (Baby Life Support Systems will attend the Third International Neonatal Nursing Conference, "Bridging the World" at Harrogate International Centre. For more details about the Royal

The Hon Francis Maude, MP, was

United and Cecil Club

www.royal.gov.uk

Dinners

the speaker at a dinner of the United and Cecil Club held last night at the House of Commons, by courtesy of Sir Sydney Chap-man, MP. Sir Marcus Fox, chairman, presided and Mrs Elizabeth Peacock also spoke. Royal Society of Medicine Lord Soulsby of Swaffham Prior, President of the Royal Society of

Family visit the royal website at:

Soulsby, received the guests at dinner last night at the society's house after Dame Deirdre Hine had delivered the Jeohcott Lecture to the society. Among those present

Mere:
Me and Mrs Neill Jephout, Mr R Hine, Sir
Richard Sykes, FRS, and Lady Sykes, Sir
Gordon Robson, Sir Christopher Booth, Sir
Doublet Mrs Williams, Sir Doublet Harrison, Sir Christopher and Lady Paine and Dame Margaret Seward. Saints and Sinners Club The annual dinner of the Saints

and Sinners Club was held tast night at the Savoy Hotel. Mr John Bromley, chairman, installed Mr Terry Wogan as his successor Lord Hattersley, Mr Kit Hesketh-Harvey and Mr Richard Sisson also spoke.



School announcements

Birkdale School, Sheffield Scholarship Awards 1999 Scholarship Awards 1999
Sixth Form
Major Scholarships: Oliver Lornes,
Birkdale: Parvathy Vis-Nathan. Cental
Newcastle High School for Girls.
Exhibitions: James Leeson. Birkdale;
Ramandeep Sall, Brantwood School for
Girls, Jason Sas, Mendowhead.
Sixth Form Music
Scholarship: Marzhew Osborne. BirkScholarship: Marzhew Osborne.

dale.
Exhibition: Jason Sas, Meadowhead.
II- Open Awards
Scholarships: Lee Bradshaw, Sycamore
Hall Preg: Antony Aziz, Birkdale: David
Nissenbaum, Birkdale: Alex Townsend.

er: Simon Everett, Rudstor Prep.
tts-Foundation Awards
Major Scholarship: Michael Luc, Nether Green Junior,
Mimor Scholarship: Leo Wan, Gorsey
Brigg Primary.

Brentwood School Trinity Term begins today. The Choral Society will sing Bernstein's Chichester Psalms at Brentwood Cathedral on May 8. The CCF Open Evening will take place on May 14 in the presence of the Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Essex. J.H.M. Norris, CBE, DL (OB). Half Term is from May 28 to June The first Summer Art Exhibition in the new Art Design and Technology Centre opens June 18. The Commemoration Service, Speech Day and Promenade Con-cert will be held on June 26. The

Chigwell School Summer Term begins today and finishes on Wednesday, July 7. Speech Day is to be held on Saturday, July 3, 2.30pm onwards. The Guest of Honour is to be Her Majesty's Ambassador to Norway, Eichard Dales (Old Chigwellian) Richard Dales (Old Chigwellian). This is followed in the evening by the Summer Ball. The 1st XI Cricket Captain is Head Boy. Sudip Samanta, and the annual

Guest of Honour is the Right Hon

Dame Angela Rumbold.

BIRTHS: Jan van Riebeck, naval surgeon, founder of Cape Town, Culemborg, The Netherlands. 1619: Friedrich Froebel, educator, Overweissbach. Germany. 1782; Reginald Heber, bishop and hymn writer, Malpas, Cheshire. 1783; Charlotte Bronte, writer. Thornton. Yorkshire, 1816; Sir Herbert Barker, manipulative surgeon, Southport, 1869: Henry de Montherlant, novelist and dramatist, Paris.

match between the School and the MCC will be played on Wednesday, June 23, starting at 11.30am. Ist XI will also take part in the Magdalen College School, Oxford Cricket Festival held between Sunday, July II and Tuesday, July 13. 860000. The School Athletic Sports Day takes place an Saturday, June 26. Musical events include the Scholars Concert on Thursday, April 29, at 7.30pm. The hosting of the prestigious Independent Associaoon of Preparatory Schools Music Festival on Saturday and Sunday. May 15 and 16, 9.00am to 5.00pm.

The Junior School Concert at St Barnabas Church, Woodford Green, on Tuesday, June 22, at 7.30pm and the Outdoor Summer Concert on Tuesday, July 6, In the School's Chapel Quad at 7.30pm. The Sixth Form Play Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf will be per-iormed on Wednesday and Thursday, May 26 and 27, in New Hall, The Craft, Design

Eton College Eton College opens today for the Summer Half. P.N. Morley-Fletcher KS continues

and Technology Centre's First "Show" opens from Monday,

May 17.

as Captain of School and C.P.W Fielding OS as Captain of the Oppidans. There will be four performances of

The Rivals in the Farrer Theatre from May 27-30. The CCF Tattoo will be on June I, and the Fourth of June celebrations will be held on Wednesday, June 2. Long Leave is from June 2-6. The Winchester Match will be at Winchester on June 12, the Harrow Match at Lord's on Tuesday, June 29. School closes on July 2

Anniversaries

Peter Abelard, theologian, Chalon-sur-Saone, 1142; King Henry VII, reigned 1485-1509, Richmond, Surrey, 1509; Jean Racine, dramatist, Paris, 1699; Mark Twain, writer, Redding, Connecticut, 1910: Manfred von Richthofen (the Red Baron). German air ace, shot down, 1918; Eleanora Duse, actress, Pittsburgh, 1924; Robert Bridges, Poet Laurcate 1913-30, Chilswell, Kent, 1930; DEATHS: St Anselm, Arch-bishop of Canterbury John Maynard Keynes, Baron 1093-1109, Canterbury, 1109; Keynes, economist, Firle, West

lo in St Catherine's Chapel. Long

Leave is from May 29-June 6. Activities week is June 28-July 2.

when Upper 3 will visit Le Touquet Upper 4 will spend the

week in Wales, and Lower V will

visit France, Spain or Germany. Lower 4 will have their Industry

week, and for Lower 6 it will be Pre-University week. Sir Robert Clarke will be the Guest of Honour

at Speech Day at 10.00am on Saturday, July 3, in Guildford Civic Hall, followed by Open Day

at St Catherine's, Term ends on Thursday, July 8. Girls taking part

in the Boarders' Watersports holi-

day will leave for France on Saturday, July 10,

Woldingham School Summer Term at Woldingham School begins today. Christina

Mavroleon is the new Head Girl and Eleanor Beecraft and Sophie

Carruth are the Deputy Head Girls. The new Millennium Centre

is being opened by the Right Hon

Chris Patten, CH, on May 5. The Prize Day guest is Sir Brian Fall, GCVO, KCMG, Principal of Lady

Margaret Hall, Oxford. Term ends

Sussex, 1946; Sir Stafford

Cripps, statesman, Zurich, 1952; Sir Edward Appleton,

physicist, Nobel laureate 1947.

Edinburgh, 1965, François Du-

valier, President of Hain

1957-71, Port-au-Prince. 1971.

The Texans defeated Mexico

at the Battle of San Jacinto.

The City of Rome was founded

Brasilia was inaugurated as the new capital of Brazil, 1960.

Chinese students poured into

Tiananmen Square, Beijing,

ignoring warnings of severe

by Romulus, 753 BC.

punishment, 1989.

A history of Holmewood House. Langton Green, Kent, The First Fifty Years, is now available from the School Office. Telephone 01892 St Catherine's School, Bramley Summer term begins today at St Catherine's School. Bramley. Clare Clinton continues in office as Head Girl, and Charlotte Edmond as her Deputy. The School Concert will be held on Friday, May 14, at St Catherine's. The Service of Confirmation will take place at Bramley Parish Church on May 15. Leavers' Communion is on May

Derek Nimmo

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Derek Nimmo will be held on Thursday, May 27, at St Paul's, Covent Garden, at noon.

St Mary's Church, Bourne Street London SWI on Tuesday, June 8. 1999, and afterwards at her school, Francis Holland, Graham Terrace, London SW1. Enquiries to

Nick Taylor A memorial service for Nick Taylor will be beld at Eton College Chapel on Monday, May 17, at 2.15pm. All who knew him are

Mellon, Honorary Fellow of Clare

David Shirley

A memorial service for David

Church news The Rev Robin Griffith-Jones, Chaplain of Lincoln College, Oxson who resigned last year.

Asian Business

Breakfast Club Ms Benazir Bhuno, former Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposi oon in Pakistan, was the guest speaker at the Asian Business Breakfast Club's meeting at the House of Commons on Friday, April 16, 1999. Mr Sarosh Zaiwal-la, Co-Convenor of the Club welcomed the guests and presided at the meeting. The event was hosted by Mr Tony Baidry. MP. and Mr Martin Wenban proposes a vote of thanks on behalf of the sponsors, London Electricity, Lord Clinton-Davis and Mr Alastair Dacre Lacy. OBE, also spoke.

Darre Lary, O.B., and spoke.
Among those present were:
The Ambassadors of Azerbaljan, Bulgaria,
Morgolia and Turker, the Deputy HighCommissioner for India, the Commercial
Attaches of Iran and Pakissan, Sir Arwar
Pervex the Hon Michael Beleff, QC, Mr
Desmond Lynam, Mr H D Habib, Mr
Raran Billimoria, Mr Yeng S Lee and Mr
Raj Loomba.

Dr Anne Spoerry A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Dr Anne Spoerry. MD, DTM, will be held at 3pm at

David Lowes. 0171 382 8767.

Mr Paul Mellon, **KBE**

College, will be held on Saturday, May 8, at Great St Mary's Church. Cambridge at 3.00pm. All enquiries to Clare College 01223 333218.

Andrew Shirley will be held in Lincoin's Inn Chapel on Tuesday, May 25, 1999, at S.00pm.

ford, has been appointed to the Mastership of the Temple in succession to Canon Joseph Robin-

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A.C.P. Noble and Miss P.I. Cowe

Mr N.S. Parker

Warwickshire.

Mr P.G. Simmonds

and Miss R.L. Mussell

and Miss V.H.L. Brown

The engagement is announced between Caspar, son of Mr and

Mrs Arthur Noble, of West Kirby, Wirral, and Pamela, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John

The engagement is announced

between Sam. son of Dr and Mrs

David Parker, of Macclesfield, Cheshire, and Victoria, eldest

daughter of Mr Robert Brown, of

Shelfield, Warwickshire, and Mrs

Angela Brown, of Darlingscon,

The engagement is announced between Peter George, son of Mr

and Mrs E. Simmonds, al King-

ston Vale. SWIS, and Rebecca

Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Mussell, of Worcester Park

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and

Mrs Donald Spilsbury, of Higher Bebington, Wirral, and Samantha.

elder daughter of Mr Norman Etheridge, of Alresford, Hamp-shire, and Mrs Sandra Etheridge,

of Airesford, Hampshire and also Rheindalen, Germany.

The engagement is announced between Cameron, son of Mr and Mrs William Timmis, of Kew,

Surrey, and Diane, daughter of

Mr and Mrs L. Donald Miller, al

The marriage took place on Friday, April 16, at St Teresa's, Beaconsfield, of Mr Johnnie Ham-

pel and Miss Alison Chow. Father John Udris officiated. Mr Nick

A reception was held at Heatherden Hall, Pinewood Studi-

as and the honeymoon is being

Jeannette, Pennsylvania, USA,

Mr W.H.C. Timmis

Marriage

Mr J.L. Hampel

and Miss A.L. Chow

Lyle was best man.

speni in Africa.

and Miss D.L. Miller

Mr D.K. Spilsbury and Miss S.J.L. Etheridge

Cowe, of Berwick upon Tweed

Mr J.A. Bailey and Miss E.O. Casey The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr Adrian Bailey and Lady Ravens-dale of London, and Emily. daughter of Mr Peter R. Casey Ill and Ms Eve O. Casey, of Toledo.

Captain A.W. Clarke and Miss S.J. Straker

The engagement is announced between Captain Adam Clarke. The Royal Regiment of Wates (24th/41st Foot), younger son of Major Tom Clarke, reid, and Mrs Clarke, of Chandlers Ford. Hampshire, and Sally, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Stephen Straker, of Reigate, Surrey.

Mr E.H.T. Cotterell and Miss L.T.E. Garnett The engagement is announced between Edward, younger son of Mr and Mrs Richard Conterell, of Reigate. Surrey, and Lucy, elder daughter of Mr ano Mrs Christopher Garnett, of Putney, London. Mr T.J. Dobson

and Seziorita M.C. Pinillos The marriage will take place in June 1999, in Lima, between Timothy, son of Colonel and Mrs John Dobson, of Flitcham, Norfolk and Carolina, only daughter of Lic Armando Pinillos Hoyle of Trujillo, and Señora Maria Barrenechea de Winder, of Lima, Peru. Mr M.S. Gray and Miss R.L.A. Ward

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs Martin Gray, of Kenarding-ton, Kent, and Rosie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jonathan Ward, al Leatherhead, Surrey, Mr H.W. Jackson

and Miss S-K. Cottam Mr and Mrs David Cottam, of Hong Kong, announce the engagement of their daughter. Sadie, to Hugo. son of Mrs Sarah Jackson, of Co Tipperary and the late Mr Peter Jackson. Mr A.A.G. Mee and Miss I.C. Zeki

The engagement is announced between Adrian, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Mee, of North-wood, Middlesex, and Isabelle, daughter of Professor and Mrs Semir Zeki, of London, and Layrac, France.

HM Forces

fence Council.

October 11.

University news

Royal Navy Captain J.M. Burnell-Nugent to be promoted Rear-Admiral and to be W. Gwyndaf Prys Williams, Read-Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff in succession to Rear-Admiral J. Band on December 6. This appointment carries with it membership of the Admiralty Board of the De-

Rear-Admiral R.J. Lippiett to be Chief of Staff to Commander Allied Forces Southern Europe and Senior British Officer Southern Region in succession to Vice-1999. Admiral D.A.J. Blackburn on Grant of title

Royal Academy of Engineering

Mr Basil Butler, CBE, FEng, Senior Vice President of The Royal Academy of Engineering, presided at a Lecture and Dinner held last night at 6 Carlton House Terrace. London SWI. The guest speaker was Dr Joel Birnbaum, FEng. Chief Scientist. Hewlett-Packard Company, who spoke on "After the

Latest wills

Sir George Stanley Waller, a Lord Justice of Appeal 1976-84, left estate valued at £318,077 net. Among other bequests he left £15,000 to the Gray's Inn Scholarships Trust. Sir Harry Craufurd Tuzo, Deouty Supreme Allied Commander in Europe 1976-78. left estate valued at £179,862 net.

Manchester Appointments to Chairs

er in Urban Planning and Develop-ment, to be Professor of Urban Planning and Development in the Department of Planning and Land-scape, from January 1, 1999. Stephen Ross Williams, Reader in Biophysics at the Institute of Child Health, London University, to be Professor of Imaging Science lin the Medical School) from April I.

Anne Elizabeth Rogers to be Professorial Research Fellow, with the designation of Professor of Sociology of Health Care, from March 1, 1999, for so long as she shall continue to hold her appointment in the National Primary Care Research and Development Cen-

Reader Igor Rivin, at present Research Fellow in Mathematics at Warwick University, to be Reader in Mathematics from January 1, 1999. The Council has made the following appointments: Andreas Christmann to be Lectur-

er in Contemporary Islam in the Department of Religions and The-ology and the Department of Middle Eastern Studies, from January I, 1999. Susan Karen Crosthwaite, Lectur-er in the School of Biological

Sciences from December 1, 1998. Laszio Czaban, Lecturer in international Management and Organisa-tional Analysis in the Manchester Business Schoool, from January 1.

BMDS: 0171 680 6880 PRIVATE: 0171 481 4000

The LORD God has told us what is right and what he demands: "See that justice is done, let mercy be your first concern, and humbly obey your God." Micah 6.8 (CEV).

BIRTHS

ABI ANTUN - On 20th April 1999 at St George's Hospital, Beirut, to Denise Ince Abi Khalif) and William, a daughter, Chioe, a sister for William

ANDERSON - To Thomas an Samentha on 14th April, in Oxford, a daughter. BAKER - On 18th April 1999 (o Maria inée Lawrence) and Alastair, o daughter, Jessica Lucy.

BERCH - On Monday 19th April, to Beverley (née Wilkinson) and Gary, a daughter, Millie Emma, sister for Ellie Nicele. BURNHAM - On April 15th at The Portland Hospital to Jan-Marie and Steven.

daughter, Francesca

de SOISSONS PAGE - On April 10th, to Mary Enne and Jonethan, a daughter,

DUDLEY - On 14th April to Annabel into Knight) and John, a beautiful daughter Eleanor Rose. DYMOND - On the 17th April 1999 at St. Michaels Hospital Bristol, to Tracy

(née Pearse) and Tim, a daughter, Emma Louise. EDWARDS · On April 9th at Kingston Hospital, ta Caroline tode Evanat and David, a brave and beautiful son, Benjamin David, a brother for

GOATER - Max William Birdwood born 8th April 1999. A perfect son for Elaine (née Williams) and Mark and brother far a very excited Thomas.

MOLEOROW - On April 18th, to Louise (née Powell) and Crispin, a son, William, a brother for George.

HORROCKS - On 8th April 1999, to Anna and Jonathan, a daughter, Maria, a sister for James and Tom.

MITCHELL - On April 17th 1999, to Eleanor inée Grose) and Desmond, a daughter, Madeleine Cotima, a sister for Oliver, Jolyon and Edmund. ORMEROD - On April 14th at The Portland Hospital, to Helen (née Davies) and Simon, a danghier, Lily Eloise, a sister for Isabelle.

PARAVICENI - On April 19th to Lucis and Charles, a daughter, Charlotte.

March 30th at The Portland Hospital, to Ine and Serena David, a daughter, Davine Ayebakarieghe Doris. STRACHAN - On 13th April,

to I an and Annamaria (née Gracias), a son, Thomas John Becket, a brother to Alexander. THOMSON - On April 14th to Caroline inde Farmer) and Richard, a daughter, Alice Mary.

DEATHS

VISON - At the QEII Hospital Welwyn Garden City on 20th April Doctor Anthony Avison aged 78 years. Funeral to be held at The Free Church. Welwyn Garden City, Herts. on Friday 23rd April at 10 am fallowed by private cremation. Enquiries to Geo W Blow. Church Street, Welwyn, Herts. tel: 01438 714686.

BYERS - Valery Inée Kunstadil, widow of Quentin Garden RAFVR and beloved wife of Doctor Paul Syers, on April 18th 1999. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium April 26th 3 pm.

DEATHS

Kt CBE TD DL MA IP on 19th April at Tyndale Nursing Home aged 88. Cremation private. Service of interment at Trent

01935 433737.

Leckhampton Court, Cheltenham GL51 5XX,

CURLIFFE - Alan W died 17th
April 1999 aged 85 years.
Funeral Service at the
West London
Crematorium on Friday
23rd April at 4.00pm.
DALGLESH - James (Jim),
dearly loved father,
brother, grandfather and
friend, died suddenly an
13th April 1999. Funeral
will take place on Friday
23rd April, 2.15 pm at
South West Middlesex
Crematorium, Hanworth.
Family flowers only,
donations, if desired for donations, if desired for conscions, it desired to Cardeners Royal Benevolent Society (GRBS) c/o Halmes & Daughters, 161 High Btreet, Teddington, Middlesex, Enquiries (0181) 977-9532.

of interment at Trent Church, near Yeovil on Monday 26th April at 3.30pm for family and local friends. There will be a memorial service later in Abingdon. Donations instead of flowers in aid af St Helen's Church, Abingdon and all correspondence to be sent c/o David Rivett F/D 30 Lyde Road, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 5AT Tol: 01935 433737.

COLLER - Of cancer on 18th April at Leckhampton Court, Cheltenham David Collier, beloved husband of Elizabeth, dearly loved father of Mark, Jake and Luke and loving grandfather of Jack, Sam and Tom. He was a shiring example and inspiration to all that knew and loved him. Private cremation on 22nd April at Cheltenham 12 noon. A Service of Thanksgiving will be held at a later date. Family flowers only, donations in his memory if wished to Ste Ryder Homes, Leckhampton Court,

tel: (01242) 230199. CURLIFFE - Alan W died 17th

DDCON - On April 16th 1999
at The Nuffield Hospital
Exeter after a short illness
Margaret Joan of
Exmouth, former College
af Education Lecturer, at
Battersea College of
Domestic Science,
London Mach loved
Companion and friend of
Evelyn Carter, She will be
sadly missed by her many
friends and former
students. Funeral Service
Exeter & Devon
Crematorium Friday April
23rd at 12.30 pm.

EDWARDES JONES - Mary, peacefully on 17th April 1999. Wife of the late George Edwardes Jones and Mother of John and Patricis. Funeral Service at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Wadhurst on Tuesday 27th April at 11.30 am.

EGAN - On 18th April suddenly but peacefully, Desmond Francis aged 58 years. Sadly missed by his family, relatives and all his many friends. Funeral Service to take place on Wednesday 28th April, 1999 at 5t Mary's Church, Cadogan Street, London, SW3 at 12 noon followed by interment at Mortlake Cametery at 2 pm. All flowers and enquiries to J.H. Kenyon, 74 Rochester Row, London, SWIP 1FU. Tel: 0171 834 4624.

FENN - Ernest Anthon renn - Ernes: Antony Robin (Tony) on Friday 16th April aged 7L Beloved husband of Jackie and father of Martin and Sarah. Late of P.R. Directorate, Ministry of Defence Private Defence, Private cremation. Thankagiving Service on Friday 7th May at 2.30 pm at 5t Andrew's Church. Nether Wallop, Hants. Donations, if desired to The St desired, to The St Andrew's, Nether Wallop Church Suilding Trust.

DEATHS

PERSONAL COLUMN

1836.

SAMMAGE - Gertrude
Elizabeth (Betty), widow
of Edward (Ted), died
peacefully at home in her
90th year on 15th April at
West Wischham, Kent. The
cremation is to be held at
Beckenham Crematorium,
11.30am on April 28th.
Gertrude will be sadly
missed by her
granddaughters and her
great-granddaughters.

HALL - | Dublin and Cornwall | April 8th 1999 suddenly at home Richard Jocalyn (Josa) late of Portobello College, Dublin. Beloved father of Amanda and Richard, Very desply recreted by Dublin. Beloved Lather of Amanda and Richard. Very deeply regretted by his loving family and friends. Funeral was 13th April Glasnevin Chapel. Donations (if desired) to the Iveagh Trust, c/o Fanagans Funeral Directors, 54 Aungier Street, Dublin 2.

HOPKIRK - G. Howard, 1920 to 1999. Born in U.K., died in S.A., 13th April 1999. Dearest Dad, always known as the Grand known as the Grand
Gentleman, loving
bushand, father, Hopkirk
Family Member,
grandlather and great
servant at the Lord Jests,
is sadly missed by all.
Sympathies to all the
Hopkirk Families around
tha world. Dad, we will
always miss you. Keith
and Theresa (S.A.).

MELFORD - Michael Austin aged 82 peacefully on Sunday 16th April, Desrly loved husband of Lorns, father of Juliet and Ursule grandfather of Emily,
Duncan (died at 10 days)
and Freddle, Private
cremation, All welcome to
Memorial Service at St
James's Church, Oxford James's Church, Oxford Road, Gerrards Cross, Bucks, at 2.30 pm on Friday 7th May. Family flowers only, Donations desired to Age Concern or The Down's Syndrome Association c/o Arnold Funeral Service, 38 Oak End Way. Cerrards Cross. SL9 8BR, (01753) 891892.

NETHERCOT - Gerald. Aged 89. Passed peecefully 16th April Nottingham. Biog http://visitweb.com/ Gerald Nethercot Contact daughter: 0181 940 9723.

SHOGA - Yinka died 17th April aged 48. Cremated Mountset Wednesday 21st. Dear daughter of Pabias and Pamels, sister of Yemi and Folake, mother of Ebun and Ore. Deeply

STRUIT - On Setterday 17th April 1999 suddenly at home surrounded by family, Joan, dearly loved and loving mother of June and Anne, dearly loved grandmother of Tom, Ollie, Alex, William and Lizzle, Funeral Service St Katherine's Church, Teversal, Seturday 24th April 1999 at 12 noon, followed by burial in churchyard. Any further information contact Ivan Bramley Funeral Directors, (01623) 624918.

METCALFE - Rachel Mary on April 16th 1999 at Eastbourne District General Hospital. Widow of Lioutenant Commander H.W. (Dick) Metcalfe who died on active service on June 23nd 1943. Greatly loved mother of Nicholas and Christopher and grandmother of Piera, Isabelle, Alison and Oliver. Puneral at Dallington Church, East Sussex on Friday April 23rd at 10.30am. Family flowers only. Donations to R.N.L.I. c/o Seronity Puneral 10.10am. Family flowers only. Donations to R.N.L.I. c/o Seronity Puneral Directors, 43 South Street, Eastbourne, East Sussex BN21 4UT, bei: (01.323) 736446 to whom all enquiries should be addressed.

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YATES - Ruth on 19th April peacefully in hespital after a short illness. Beloved wife of the late Frank Yates CBE F.R.S. and much loved by her family and friends. Funeral and friends. Funeral service will be held at the West Herts Crematorium on Monday 28th April 1999 at 2.40 pm. Family Bowers only, but donations if desired to the National Trust c/o Phillips Funeral Service, 68 Alms Read, St Albans, Herts. AL1 381, 01727 851008.

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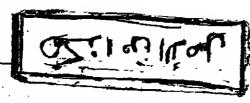
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DAME KATHLEEN RAVEN

Dame Kathleen Raven DBE, former Chief Nursing Officer of the United Kingdom, died on April 19 aged 88. She was born on November 9, 1910.

athleen Raven was born in the year that Florence Nightingale died, and it is as a nurse and reformer in the Nightingale tradition that she will be remembered. Like the Lady of the Lamp, she had an affectionate nickname: to the doctors she worked with at St Bartholomew's Hospital in London during the war, she was the Pocket Battleship - a reference to her lack of inches and to her fearlessness in pursuing high standards of patieni care.

Her achievements as the UK's Chief Nursing Officer from 1958 to 1972, including the introduction of intensive care, can be attributed to the engaging mixture of energy. determination, charm and humour that first buoyed her up in the dark days of war. An only daughter who was

very close to her three brothers. Kathleen Annie Ingram Raven grew up in the Lake District, skating, fishing, playing hockey and winning school prizes. Educated at Ulverston Grammar School and privately, she originally wanted to be an architect, but she began to see nursing as an attractive option when her eldest brother Ronald flater a distinguished surgeon) was studying medicine at Bart's. She too trained there and, like her brother, won a scholarship - in her

case, in midwifery. The medical world was then still remarkably primitive. As late as the 1930s, she was called upon to apply leeches as a cure for pneumonia: a strange operation, she said, calling for all the qualities that

a good nurse should possess, "skilful hands, a good head and a stout heart, and imagination to apply these little black creatures to the patient's chest to relieve the congestion of the lungs, without the patient seeing what was happening. The poverty of her patients of those days was startling. As a midwife in 1937, she regularly delivered babies onto newspapers for families in the Caledonian and City Roads.

She said later that it was during the early years of the war, as a young ward sister at Barr's, that she "learnt to deal with sorrow and death and how to 'manage' grieving, heartbroken relatives, sometimes their families wiped out and their homes razed to the ground." On one awful night, when 7,000 Londoners were killed and a further 9,000 were injured. Bart's itself was hit and Raven was blown across the casualty ward by a blast that shattered all the windows. It never entered her head, she said, that she might be killed. We were all so busy looking after the casualties that we did not have much time to think about ourselves." For two years, her bed was an air mattress on the first floor of the ward block.

Raven left Bart's to become matron at the General infirm-ary, Leeds, in 1949, where in the early years of the NHS she introduced many improve-ments, notably establishing an assistant nurse training school. She also instituted "beaux parlours," places where nurses could meet their men friends, which she based on American examples observed in 1953 during a 13week tour to study nursing methods in the United States, Canada and South America. If this led to an increase in nurses leaving the profession

on marriage, at least nurse



Kathleen Raven as Chief Nursing Officer in 1959. She was instrumental in introducing intensive care to British hospitals

recruitment was never a major problem at Leeds while Raven was at the helm - her stirring visits to local schools saw to that. She was a member of the General Nursing Council of England and Wales from 1950 to 1957.

She was appointed Deputy Chief Nursing Officer at the Ministry of Health in 1957, and promoted to the top job in British nursing within a year. She retained this post for more than 14 years, working with a succession of ministers of

varying political persuasions. She was instrumental in setting up the Salmon committee on the structure of the nursing management. She set up a Hospital Planning Unit and instituted studies on the training of health visitors and on

the ratio of patients to nurses. Her visits to hospitals in the United States led directly to the introduction of intensive care units in Britain in 1961. She had admired the American hospitals' policy of Progressive Patient Care, which

segregated patients according to their needs, and she campaigned strongly for its adop-tion in Britain. "It had become abundantly clear to me, and to others, that we could no longer sustain having 15 or 20 patients needing this care scattered in 15 different places over a large hospital," she said. Two years after joining the Ministry of Health, she mar-

ried Professor John Thornson Ingram, who created the Dermatological Department at Leeds before accepting the first chair in dermatology at Newcastie. "Nurses and doctors must always work together," she said, "sometimes, as the best doctors will admit, the nurse leading the doctor, even at times leading him to the altar." Nurse training was always among Raven's preoccupations and she was unhappy with a system that had created two classes of nurse, the stateregistered nurse, who could train and make her way up the career ladder, and the state-enrolled nurse, who could not. Disenchanted state-enrolled nurses were leaving the profession. So in 1970 Raven persuaded the Health Secretary, Richard Crossman, to set up what became known as the Briggs committee on nurse training, chaired by Professor Asa Briggs (later Lord Briggs).

The Briges report, pub-lished in 1972, recommended a new career structure, with state-enrolled nurses on the first tier but able to train for the second tier and beyond. Raven was enthusiastic about this, but 1972 was the year of her retirement, and it was one of the great disappointments of her life that the recommendations were not implemented.

A more personal sadness came when her husband died just six months after her retirement. But Raven, who was appointed DBE in 1968. remained active. She became a vice-president of the Royal College of Nursing in 1972, and was also a Civil Service com-missioner. From 1972 to 1986 she was part of a team setting up hospitals in the Middle East, staffed and managed on traditional British lines. In 1986, she received the Freedom of the City of London.

Raven lamented the end, in 1988, of nurses' on-ward ap-prenticeships and the greater concentration on academic training. She feared that computers, rather than patients, were increasingly the focus of attendon, and that clipboards, not the sick, were being clasped to the bosom. "Have we forgotten the magic of touch or the importance of a nurse's hands?" she asked. "The new system is not working. Young enthusiastic nurses, anxious to nurse in its fullest sense, must be taught the emotional part of nursing by example and feel. by experience."

So strongly did she feel that, in 1997, at the age of 86, she endowed the Kathleen Raven Chair in Clinical Nursing at the University of Leeds, with the aim of restoring to the profession the old-fashioned system of teaching by example, alongside pacents. Dr Claire Hale took up the chair in September 1998, and shortly afterwards Raven brought together a group of distinguished nursing and medical people to look afresh into the subject of nurse training. Sadly she was able to anend only one meeting before going into hospital herself.

A lively hostess who thought nothing of cooking hunch for 40, Kathleen Raven was a lively character, but always dignified. Painting was a great hobby, along with friendship. Last year, aged 88, she hand wrote 250 Christmas cards, She had no children.

ADOLFO BIOY CASARES

Adolfo Bioy Casares Argentine writer, died in **Buenos Aires on March 8** aged 84. He was born on September 15, 1914.

THE death of Adolfo Bioy Casares brings to a close the extraordinary period of liter-ary renewal in Argentina that began in the 1940s. He will no doubt be remembered, somewhat unfairly, as the close friend and collaborator of Jorge Luis Borges, with whom he conducted the ceaseless u conversanon ma

shaped their mutual ocuvre. Together, and with help from Bioy Casares's wife, Silvina Ocampo, they edited the Antologia de Literatura Fantóstica, (1940, The Book of Fontasy 1988), which began a trend for mixing fiction and reality, and was a marked influence on the somewhat misnamed "magic realism" of Julio Cortazar and Gabriel

Garcia Marouez. But their association went beyond this. The two were passionate readers of detective novels, and together - under the pseudonym H. Bustos



Domecq - they wrote baroque short stories about an armchair detective capable of solving mysteries from an isolation prison cell. Their composite name was to become visible as a trademark among modern Latin American fabulists such as Alcina Lubitch Domecq.

Borges inserted Bioy Casares as a character in his famous story Tlon. Uqbar, Orbis Tertius. It is he, according to Borges, who uttered the famous sentence: "Mirrors and copulation are abominable, because they increase the

number of men." It was a tribute, of course, and also a misrepresentation, for Bioy Casares was well known for his passion for women. In a later interview, he said that when sex is performed out of love it is beautiful, but so is it when love is absent. In turn, Bioy Casares paid

homage to Borges in a variety of ways. His reminiscence appears in The Oxford Book of Latin American Essays (1998). But Borges's brightness resulted in the overshadowing of a prolific, endearing writer in his own right, responsible for classics such as the 1940 novel La invencion de Morel (tr.The Invention of Morel in 1961), a book inspired by H.G. Wells's The Island of Doctor Moreau. Born in 1914, Bioy Casares came from a well-to-do family. He began his literary career at the age of eleven with a novel called Iris v Margarita. But later on he disclaimed this and all his adolescent experiments, describing them as too flaccid. In his youth he studied law

and then switched to philoso-

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phy. Apparently it was Bor-ges, whom he met in 1935, who persuaded him to move on to literature, where he found his true calling. His most famous works include Diario de la Guerra del Cerdo (1969, tr. Diary of the War of the Pig. 1972), Sueno de los Heroes (1954, tr. Dream of the Hero. 1987) and Aventuras de un photograto en Le Plata (1989, tr. Adventures of

His favourite themes were games with time. But Bioy Casares infused them with irony and an existential mood that is reminiscent of Albert Camus and Jean-Paul Sartre.

a Photographer in La Plata.

He married Silvina Ocampo in 1944. She was the sister of Victoria Ocampo, famous as the matron of Argentine letters and editor of the magazine Sur.

She died in 1993. They had a single daughter, who died in a road accident before her mother. Bioy Casares was awarded the Cervantes Prize, the most prestigious literary award in the Hispanic world, in 1990.

NORMAN WILLIAMS

Norman Williams. lawyer and philatelist, died on April 9 aged 85. He was born in London on March 25, 1914.

THE NAME Norman Williams was a byword for thoroughness and accuracy in the two fields where he made his mark, philately and the law, in a working life which continued well into his ninth decade.

Leon Norman Williams was 20 when he first contributed on stamps to philatelic jour-nals and the daily press. In those days he wrote jointly with his elder brother, Maurice, and together they wrote thousands of articles and more than thirty books, as well as editing journals, lecturing and broadcasting on radio and

Their first book was The Propaganda Forgeries: A History and Description of the Austrion, Bavarion ond German Stamps Counter-feited by Order of the British Government During the Great War, published in 1938. and its successors included Famous Stamps (1940). The Postage Stamp (1956) - a Penguin book which was translated into several languages including Japanese and Rus-

sian, and Rare Stamps (1967). But the work for which Williams will be best remembered is Fundamentols of Philately, the most comprehensive yet written about stamp design and production, which is recognised as the classic in its field. The book began as a series of articles in The American Philatelist in 1954; these were collected together in 1971, and a revised edition appeared in 1990.

His final work was the Encyclopaedia of Rare and Famous Stamps, dedicated to his brother, who died in 1976, and published in two parts in 1993 and 1997. It detailed the history and ownership of such famous stamps as the Post Office Mauritius, the Hawaii Missionaries and the Cape



Williams: well-known to both philatelists and lawyers

of Good Hope triangulars. Norman Williams's work in philately was recognised with many honours: he was a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society, London; an honorary life member of the National Philatelic Society, a founder member and vice-chairman of the Philatelic Writers' Society: and a founder member and president of the Cinderella Stamp Club, which deals with stamps and labels outside the mainstream of those issued by national post offices. It was the study and pursuit of information about these "cinderellas" that gave him the greatest challenge and the greatest

pleasure. He was a life member of the American Philatelic Society, which presented him with the John N. Luff Award for outstanding services to philately. He also received awards at

philatelic exhibitions through-

out the world.

While Maurice Williams had worked full time in philately. Norman William-swas called to the Bar in absentia in 1943 during his war service in West Africa with the Royal Artillery, when he rose to the rank of captain. After the war he practised in the chambers of J. E. S. Simon, QC (later Lord Simon of Glaisdale) but early in the 1960s he switched to law reporting, and became a fixture in Court 4, the Lord Chief Justice's Court, at the Royal Courts of Justice in the Strand.

There he sat, just to one side of the gangway, listening and writing, a subtle frown or gesture sometimes querying the words delivered from the

He had joined the Incorporated Council of Law Reporting in 1962, and began to contribute to the Law Reports in The Times. He went on to work under five Chief Justices - the Lords Parker, Widgery. Lane, Taylor and Bingham the first of whom encouraged him to launch the Road Traffic particularly touched when Lord Lane returned to sit amid a panoply of judges as Lord Bingham delivered a rare valediction on Williams's retirement in 1997.

Of the many cases that he had reported, one stood out: the libel action brought by Dr Wladislaw Dering against Leon Uris, the author of Exodus, in 1964. The case, which commanded national and international attention, concerned Nazi brutalities in the concentration camp at Auschwitz, and the daily law reports in The Times by Williams and a fellow reporter, Mavis Hill, often ran to two full columns. The reports were adapted into the book Auschwitz in England, with a foreword by Lord Denning, and until recently Dering v Uris was the only war crimes trial in Britain.

Williams was a devoted family man, proud of his Jewish heritage, and a keen follower of sport. A useful athlete and club cricketer in his younger days, he was tickled by his appearance on the front page of The Times in June 1996 with his wife. Denise, sitting in the pavilion at Lord's on the first occasion that women were permitted to view play from those seats.

He is survived by his wife, whom he married in 1943, and two sons, one of whom is also associated with The Times, as a senior member of the sports department.

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To the ordinary motorist and motorcar owner no car is ever wholly satisfactory. The machine he owns or those of his acquaintances may suit their purposes admirably and be in every way desirable possessions, but the motor-car has not yet been made which could not, in the opinion of the average owner, be largely improved.

No engine, gear-box, and back axle were ever a completely successful trio. and in every chassis sold there are details which, in the opinion of its owner, stand in need of immediate revision. He does not like the position of the accelerator pedal; the handbrake lever is not within comfortable reach; the car sways uncomfortably at a certain speed, or the foot-brake is inclined to be fierce and in its action to react disastrously upon the tires.

The list of complaints might be multiplied to the nth degree. Most of them may be trivial in themselves, but

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These observations about cars might seem a long way off. Manufacturers today give motorists a huge choice and pamper them with every modern convenience, but are they closer to producing the ideal car?

in the aggregate they assume proportions large enough to set the motorist who cares for motoring (as distinct from the mere owning of a motor-car) to designing in his mind the precise kind of car he would like. It is a fascinating exercise and, unlike most of such pleasant day-dreams, it is not wholly useless. We cannot hope to get our impeccable car for many years, if we ever get it - and it is very open to doubt whether we should like this mythical

vehicle if it came into our hands; it would very likely bore us terribly with itf perfections - but anybody who owns a modern car now can make out a fairly comprehensive list of its faults and of the details he would alter in the ideal car. Without straining that ideal too far and at the same time bringing his suggestions into the pale of possibility. the modest owner might well arrange in his desired chassis for a large number of modifications from the everyday practice of motor design.

Motor-car manufacturers are in some ways the least progressive and most conservative of men. Provided a part does its work and does not give trouble it is reduplicated year after year in succeeding chassis with scarcely the smallest alteration. Its faults remain with its virtues, and in reviewing the lesser details of the most modern cars one is reminded of the historic reply of Levassor to a well-justified criticism of his gear-box -"Cest brutale, mais ça marche". Many things in the best designed of motor-cars to-day serve their purpose but in a very

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Surprise leaders in the science rankings

Honours are spread widely in the latest league tables, says John O'Leary

he eight tables below, cov-ering science and technology, complete the new subject rankings compiled this year. Seven universities head the tables, illustrating the breadth of excellence in the Briosh higher education system. Neither Oxford nor Cambridge tops more than one table, a feat achieved only by Not-

tingham University.
As with the tables for arts and social sciences, published yesterday, the rankings are produced by combining official teaching and research assessments with average entry qualifications. The teaching quality rating is weighted 2.5, research 1.5 and A-level points one.

Though engineering assessments are now virtually complete. mathematics and some science subjects, including physics, are still 10 be fully assessed in England.

The seven science and engineering tables published last year have changed little because the teaching and research assessments will not be updated until after the millennium. They do show greater dominaoon by Oxford and Cambridge. although Bath and East Anglia remain leaders in their fields.

Oxford and Cambridge are locked together at the head of the geology table, with top ratings for both reaching and research. Plymouth represents the new universides in the top ten, while Newcastle is the nearest challenger to the ancient universities.

Chemistry sees the same dead heat for top place: Oxford and Cambridge are again the only universities with maximum points for research. Imperial College London and Bristol fill the next positions.

Cambridge heads two other tables, although both are narrow victories. In computing, the top six universides all have excellent ratings for teaching and a five-star grade for research, but Cam-bridge's unusually high entrance qualifications win the day. Warwick is second and York third. The same applies in geography, where the top four are all rated excellent for teaching and have the best possible score for research. Bristol, Durharn and University College London are Cambridge's closest rivals. East Anglia has an even narrower lead in the environmental science table, squeezing out Reading with fractionally better A-level entrance grades. Both have maximum scores for teaching and research.

The two previous engineering tables are also closely contested. Bath remains just ahead of Sheffield because of a five-star research grade, with both universities rated excellent for teaching. Imperial College London is top for chemical engineering for the same reason, although Cambridge achieved the better rating for teaching quality.

 Warwick University was omitted from Monday's applications table. A 12 per cent increase this year should have put it in fourth place. The decline in applica-tions to king's College London was exag-gerated in the compilation of the statis-tics by admissions officials, and should have been 4.4 per cent.





Oxford and Cambridge - what admissions tutors are

Rebecca Holland, award-winning chemistry student from Bristol

looking for, and how to choose between colleges

Let the workplace come to the class

urged all universities to demand that their students gain work experience ahead of graduation. The proposal is intended to placate employers who have long complained that graduates lack workplace aptitude, from basic communication skills to operating a photocopier.

Students would be wise to heed Mr Blunkett's call. A recent survey by the Institute for Employment Research at the University of Warwick found that half the graduates surveyed reported that relevant work experience was a crucial factor in enabling them to find employment. Sixty per cent of arts and humanities, modern languages and natural sciences graduates attributed problems finding work to lack of practical experience.

Some universides are ahead of Mr Blunkett. Nottingham in effect invites workplaces into the university to encourage the emergence of entrepreneurs. Every year 100 of its science and technology students work in teams to devise business strategies for an imaginary biotechnology project that is raking in the cash. Teaching is provided by people who deal with such companies for a living — business executives. patent lawyers and accountancy firms. Marks are awarded by a team of assessors from inside and

outside the university.

Professor John Peberdy came up with the idea for the course in 1991. "I realised there was a gap between science as we taught it at university and how it becomes real in terms of products in the marketplace," he explains. "We aim to enhance students' employability - teaching them to be resourceful, self-reliant. innovative and imaginative,"

Other universities send their students out into the working world. De Montfort University's business studies course has been arranging 12-month industrial placements for undergraduates for more than 20 years, which generates heavy demand from canny sixth-formers. At any one time, 150 students are out on placement, earning, on average, between £7,000 and £10,000. So successful is the scheme that

Innovative schemes are being devised on and off campus to give real-world experience to students, reports Hannah Betts

companies such as Marks & Spencer have integrated De Montfort's sandwich year within their own strategies of graduate recruitment. Penny Robb, the placement officer, says: "Before they go off, the students are preny green around the gills. By the time they return, they have matured."

The Department for Education and Employment is also sponsoring projects at selected universities around England. The North East Work Experience Project is the responsibility of Newcastle and Northumbria universities. Manchester and UMIST run the Work Experience Bank. Business Bridge is a scheme shared between Liverpool's universities, while a project called Improving the Quality of Work Experience in Higher Educaoon finds its home at the University of Wolverhampton. The universioes of Plymouth and Exeter have conspired to produce the Jewels scheme, which provides advice on everything from sandwich courses to burger bar jobs.

ven if students are not fortu-nate enough to be able to benefit from one of these schemes, there are other routes they can follow.

The Shell Technology Enterprise Programme (Step) is open to second-year undergraduates at every university. The scheme was started 12 years ago and 1,500 students now pass through its programme of eight weeks with a small to medium-size enterprise every year. Pay is £130 a week, tax-free,

Twenty-one-year-old Rebecca Holland is a chemistry finalist at Bristol who won last year's award for Siep's most enlerprising stu-

Ms Holland had previously spent vacations working in a shoe shop, but she decided last summer to do something more demanding. The Step programme took her to Shipley Europe Ltd. where she discovered that there was a cheaper, more environmentally sensitive alternative to using chromic acid for plating metal into plastic, which will lead to savings of up to £30,000

for the company.

"One of the best things about working was that people respected your point of view," she said. "At university you're never in a position to know as much as your tulors. But in the workplace, you may know more than the company does. One graduate can make a real impact, which does amazing things for your confidence."

inety per cent of Step students find employment soon after graduating. Ms Holland is no exception and will join Nestlé's very competitive graduate programme after her finals.

"I was so much more confident in my approach to gaining employ-ment," she recalls. "I was no long-er in awe of workplaces." When interviewers asked her to give an example of a situation in which she had improved the cost-effectiveness of a company, she was able to give an answer that far outstripped the usual "when I ran the college sports team" responses.

Ms Holland would recommend the Step scheme and others like it to all students - particularly because she found it enjoyable. "I needed to earn money over the summer." she said. " and I wanted to increase my employability. But I had no idea how much fun it would turn out to be,"

 Working Out? Graduates' early experiences of the labour market, by Kate Purcell. Jone Pitcher and Clore Simm. price £40, is avoilable from the Higher Education Coreers Services Unit. Prospects House, Booth St East, Monchester M13 9EP. Step hotline 01623-469 030; or www.shell-step.org.uk

subjects such as floristry.

horse studies and even golf-

course management, as well

as the traditional degrees in

agriculture and forestry. Most

pects for graduates are good.

I Nottingham

4 Aberdeen...

5 Reading....

6 Cranfield.

Refusal to

EIGHT NEW SUBJECT TABLES FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

MATERIALS

Competition was intense for the leading places. Eight universities had five-star ratings for research, and they did not include Imperial College London, the only institution to win maximum points for teaching quality. Oxford's all-round performance, with the highest entry qualifications, the maximum score for research and 23 out of 24 for teaching, won the day. Cambridge was only a fraction behind.

The ranking is dominated by the traditional universities, with only Sheffield Hallam, London Guildhall and Manchester Metropolitan making the top 20 from the former polytechnics. The subject has not been assessed in Scotland, but Swansea carries the flag for Wales in fifth place. Assessors found that

employment prospects were "excellent", although drop-out rates were high in some universities. The main problem they identified was the recruitment of well-qualified applicants. Only five universities' entrants had the equivalent of three Cs at A level. Teaching standards and the general quality of classroom activities were considered high.

i Oxford	95.8
2 Cambridge	94.7
3 Imperial	93
4 Sheffield	. 84 4
5 Swansea	80
6 Liverpool	80.0
7 Manchester	
8 UMIST	75
9 Birmingham	
10 Nottingham	72
ii Loughborough	69.0
12 Bath	
13 Surrey	
t4 Exeler	
15 Queen Mary Coll	
16 Leeds	
17 Sheffield Hallam	42.1
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18 London Guildhall..... 19 Manchester Metro.....59.05

of the overall league table for building degrees, but seventhplace Kingston scores most for the quality of its teaching with a perfect 24. Plymouth and Oxford Brookes also did well,

achieving scores of 23.

But it is Reading and Salford that carry off the honours for research with maximum grades of a 5* each. Loughborough, UCL and Heriof-Watt follow on 5. Most undergraduate build-ing programmes are accredit-

ed, usually by a chartered pro-fessional body. The majority of these courses recruit white male students, despite efforts to increase applications from less well-represented groups.

2 Ulster...

3 Loughborough....

Į	5 Westminster	
ı	6 UMIST	73.2
Ì	7 Kingston	66.7
ı	8 Salford	66.
ı	9 Oxford Brookes	65.6
ı	10 Heriot-Watt	
ı	II Nottingham Trent	58.8
1	12 Northumbria	56.9
ı	13 Liverpool JMU	56.6
ł	14 Plymouth	55.6
ı	15 Coventry	55.
ì	16 Greenwich	
Ì	17 Luton	
١	18 Hertfordshire	53.9
١	19 Liverpool	53.5
ı	20 Teesside	53.4
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STOD SCIENCE

■ Nottingham is a comfortable winner in the first ranking of food science, which contains only a dozen universities. Three quarters of the institutions offering the subject are

Fieldwork: students from the University of East Anglia, rated top of The Times table for environmental science

former polytechnics, but the table is dominated by four traditional universities.

Only two universities reached the top of the research assessment ladder, and Nottingham entered fa demics than Leed five-star perform ham's entrants modest 15 points a er than two Cs as its 23 points out of for teaching quali Successful stude

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■ Points for teaching quality were hard won in civil engi-neering. While three universities reached the top rank of the last research assessment, 22 out of 24 was the most that was awarded for teaching in England and no Scottish university was rated excellent.

Only Cardiff and Swansea reached the top grade for teaching. Swansea also had a fivestar research rating, but low entry grades relegated it to sixth, while Cardiff has to settle for fourth.

Bristol's all-round performance secured top place, with Imperial College London, another of the five-star research departments, second. Newcastle was the other toprated research university, but its teaching and A-level scores pulled it down to eleventh. Greenwich is the only new university to feature in the top 20.

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95.40	16 Heriot-Wan74.38
84.58	17 Birmingham72.31
75.93	18 Dundee71.96
71.21	19 Greenwich71.28
64.03	20 Southampton 71.24
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■ Though not one of the two universities with perfect teaching quality grades. Imperial College's high entrance scores and top rating for research secured top place in this specialized engineering field. cialised engineering field.

The ranking includes some universities that chose to have their mechanical engineering degrees assessed in this catego-ry, but Imperial's four-year MSc courses are mainly aero-nautical. Second-placed Bath has aeronautical, manufacturing and mechanical engineering degrees. Nottingnam, third, and kingston, fifteenth, are the two top-rated universi-

ties for teaching quality.
Aston University is yet to be inspected and Scottish universities do not have a separate teaching assessment for the subjects. But the overview for England reported a 95 per cent completion rate, with most graduates securing relevant

employment. However, the assessors found that a "significant proportion" of entrants need extra mathematics coaching to cope with their course. They also saw scope for more industrial involvement in many programmes.

	l Imperial	88.4
	2 Bath	87.€
ı	3 Nottingham	
	4 UMIST	83.5
	5 Loughborough	820
	6 UCL	80
	7 Bristol	79.7
ı	g Southampton	78.5
	9 Cardiff	75 3
	10 Cranfield	
	Il Queens Belfast	74 5
١	12 Liverpool	69.2
١	13 Manchester	65.4
	14 Birmingham	
ł	15 Kingston	
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is a highly compeditive field.

Imperial. Bristol, York, Birmingham, Queens, Strathclyde, Essex, Cardiff, Heriot-Watt and Hull all gain maximum results for their teaching 163 and System arealing. ing. UCL and Surrey excel in

are high, with none of the 20

courses, in some cases falling to 40 per cent. Many of the assessors' reports express con-cern at relatively high failure rates in the first two years of undergraduate programmes

— a statistic that they attribute

or embarked on further studies and employers express a high level of satisfaction with the skills of graduates.

	I Sheffield	98.0
ı	2 Southampton	96.1
1	3 Edinburgh	91.4
П	4 UCL	91.4
П	5 Imperial	91.1
Ч	6 Bristol	91.0
1	7 Surrey	90.8
١	8 York	87.1
1	9 Birmingham	85.7
1	10 Queens Belfast	85.7
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12 Essex_ 13 Cardiff. 14 Nottingham.... 15 Leeds. 16 UMIST.

Imperial	88.44
2 Bath	87.69
3 Nottingham	\$6.41
4 UMIST	83.59
5 Loughborough	82.07
6 UCL	80.12
7 Bristol	79.21
g Southampton	78.59
9 Cardiff	75. 3 0
10 Cranfield	75.00
II Queens Belfast	74.58
12 Liverpool	69.20
13 Manchester	65.45
l4 Birmingham	62.15
15 Kingston	60.38
16 Brunel	59 69
17 Central England 18 London, Kings	55.95
18 London, Kings	55.20
19 Queen Mary Coll	54_33
20 Anglia	54.23



and Edinburgh are the star players for Electrical & Electronic Engineering - each achieving perfect scores for teaching and research in what

research. Across the board, standards

universities that offer the course falling below an overall score of 70 and the top seven each achieving more than 90.
Disturbingly, completion rates are a problem on several

to difficulties in acquiring the requisite mathematical skills. However, of those who do stay the course, six months after graduation about 80 per cent have entered employment

17 Heriot-Wart. 18 Hull..... 19 Loughborough. GENERAL

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ENGINEERING Less than half an A-level

point separates Oxford and Cambridge at the head of the general engineering table. Both achieved near-perfect teaching quality ratings and the maximum score for The two ancient universides

had the only top-rated research departments, but third-placed imperial College London and Southampton. in fifth, matched them for teaching quality. Liverpool John Moores is the top-placed new university, but Hertfordshire and Central Lancashire also feature in the top 20.

In most universities, general engineering programmes are tailored to the recruitment needs of industry. Though drop-out rates are as high as 40 per cent in some courses. assessors said that most graduates found jobs or took further courses. About a quarter leave with an MEng, rather than a bachelor's degree.

Industrial sponsorship is common, covering more than half of the students in two of the English universides to be assessed. Overall, one student in five is female — a higher proportion than in some other branches of engineering and there are five applications to every place.

	3 Imperial	91
	4 Durham	86
	5 Southampton	84
!	6 Warwick	76.
Ī	7 Lancaster	75
	8 Brunel	70.
1	9 Ulster	68
	10 Leicester	68.
٠	10 Leicester	65
	12 Liverpool JMU	65.
	13 Hertfordshire	59.
۱	14 Exeter.	50
	15 Central Lancashire	57.
1	i6 Queen Mary Coll	56.
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	18 Cranfield	53
	19 Sussex	5L
i	20 Aberdeen	48
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ASSIGNATIONS .

mum points for teaching or research in agriculture and forestry. But Nottingham came close in both cases, taking it well clear of its rivals.

Teaching in the area is yet to be assessed in Scotland, and it is possible that Edinburgh will take top place when it is. Its students have the best entry qualifications in Britain and it courses offer work placeis almost the equal of Nottingments, and employment prosham for research.

For now, however, Edinburgh has to settle for third place behind Newcastle. Plymouth registered the best teaching assessment of the new universities, but a disastrous research grade left the university trailing both Bournemouth and Lincolnshire & Humberside.

Assessors in England found room for improvement in teaching in all but two of the universities and colleges they inspected. The area includes

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■ No universities scored maxi-

Court of Appeal

Queen's Bench Divisional Court Law Report April 21 1999 Refusal to quash prosecution lawful

Regina v Director of Public nancial assistance to defend the prosecutions. enfield and Another Regina v South Yorkshire Po-

lice Authority and Another. Ex parte Chief Constable of South Yorkshire and Others Before Lord Justice Laws, Mr Juscresswell and Mr Justice

(Judgment March 3t) The decision of the Director of Pub. lic Prosecutions not to exercise his power to take over a private prosecution against two police officers in order to discontinue it was not un-

A police authority's powers were not limited to those specifically con-ferred upon it, since it was empowered to do anything which reasona-bly supported the general function conferred by section 6(1) of the Police Act 1996, namely to "secure the maintenance of an efficient and effective police force for its area".

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held, when:

Dismissing in part applications by David Godfrey Duckenfield and Bernard Dean Murray, retired police officers, for judicia view of the decision of the DPP, in a letter of December 18, 1998, not to take over private prosecutions commenced against them by Ann Adigion, solicitor, for the purposes of discondinuing those proceed-

2 Allowing applications by the Chief Constable of South Yorkshire and the two applicants for ju-dicial review of the decision of the South Yorkshire Police Authority on February 5, 1999 that it had no legal power to provide financial as-sistance to the former officers in respect of the costs and expenses of defending the private prosecutions or bringing judicial review proceed-ings against the DPP.

Mr Duckenfield and Mr Murray were senior police officers on duty at Hillsborough Football Ground on April 15, 1989 when 96 people were killed as a result of DPP decided that there was insufficient evidence to prosecute any of the police officers involved in the

In 1998, andcipating the bringing of private prosecutions against the two officers in respect of their actions on the day of the disaster, the South Yorkshire Police Authority granted their applications for fi-

Lewisham and Guys Mental

Health NHS Trust v An-

Before Mr Justice Morison, Mr R.

There was no provision in the Race Relations Act 1976 for an appli-cant's claim of unlawful discrimi-

nation to be continued after his

peal by Lewisham and Guys Men-

tal Health NHS Trust from a deci-

sion of a chairman of an industrial

tribunal sitting at London (South) last December appointing the daughter of the deceased appli-

cant, the late Mrs Marcia An-

drews, as the appropriate person to proceed with the claim.

pealed on the ground that the in-dustrial tribunal's powers were de-

termined by statute and in the ab-

The trust, the employers, had ap-

The Employment Appeal Tribu-

Jackson and Mrs R. A. Vickers

Judgment March 26

death by his estate.

Private prosecutions were begun against the officers in July 1998, both being charged with man-staughter and witful neglect to per-form a public duty, and Mr Duck-enfield alone being charged with attempting to pervert the course of

Both officers made representa-tions to the DPP that he should exercise his power under section 6(2) of the Prosecution of Offences Act 1985 to take over the conduct of the proceedings and then discontinue them under section 23(3) of that Act. but the DPP declined to do so. Subsequently, in February 1999,

the police authority decided that it had no power to provide financial assistance to the officers for the pur-poses of defending the private pros-ecutions or seeking judicial review of the DPP's decision.

Mr Michael Harrison, QC and Mr Simon Myerson for the police officers; Mr Philip Havers, QC for the DPP, Mr Ahm Jones, QC and Mr James Lewis for Ms Adlington; Mr Nigel Baker, QC and Ms Louise Varry for the chief constable; Ms Presiley Baxendale, QC and Mr Mark Shaw for the police au-

MR JUSTICE LAWS said that there were two linked applications: the challenge to the DPP's decision not to take over and disconfinue the private prosecutions, and the challenge to the decision of the police authority that it did not have the power to provide legal funding for the officers.
DPP's decision

The reasons for the DPP's decision had been given in a letter which also set out the DPP's policy on discontinuing private prosecu-tions. Mr Harrison had made six

Since under section 3(2)(b) of the 1985 Act, as amended by section 15 of and paragraph 13 of Schedule 2 to the Criminal Justice Act 1987, it was ordinarily the DPP's duty to institute proceedings in cases of im-portance or difficulty, the DPP should entertain a beightened concern when considering whether or not to take over a private prosecudon of that kind, and lean in fayour of discontinuance, which he had not done.

In his Lordship's judgment, the right of private prosecution pre-served by section 6(1) was in no way qualified by section 3(2)(b).

sence of any statutory authority the

tribunal had no inherent jurisdic-

tion to allow the claim to proceed.

for the trust: Mr John Crosfill, as-

signed by the Free Representation

Unit, for the daughter:

Mr Andrew Rowland, solicitor,

MR JUSTICE MORISON said

that the applicant's complaint of

discrimination was received by the

industrial tribunal on April 6, 1998

Her family wished to continue with the discrimination complaint.

The chairman of the industrial tri-

bunal held that a personal repre-

peal that whereas statutory provi-sions in section 206 and 207 of the

Employment Rights Act 1996, per-

mitted a personal representative of a deceased person to continue a

claim or start proceedings for un-

fair dismissal after his death there was no comparable provision in ei-

The employers submitted on ap-

and she died on August 23.

sentative could proceed.

which had nothing to do with the discretion to take over such a prosecution under section 6(2).

2 it was next submitted, relying on the obiter dicta of Lord Wilberforce and lord Diplock in Gouriet v Un-ion of Post Office Workers (1978) AC 435, 477, 498), that the right of private prosecution operated as a constitutional safeguard in cases of inertia, partiality or improper ac-tion by the prosecution, and that where there was nothing of that kind present, the DPP should lean towards intervention to stop the

His Lordship pointed out that the obiter dicta in Gouriet were not reflected in the 1985 Act and in his judgment did not provide anything approaching a compulsory tem-plate of a lawful policy to be adopt-ed by the DPP in discontinuance

3 The applicants submitted that since the DPP stated in his reasons. letter that private prosecutors were not bound to apply the Code for Crown Prosecutors when deciding whether to institute proceedings, ed on the basis that the Code was irrelevant to his discretion under sections 6(2) and 23(3).

In his Lordship's judgment it could not be right for the OPP to apply the same tests for discontinuing proceedings as for initiating them, as the consequence would be that the DPP would stop a private prosecution merely on the ground that the case was not one which he would himself proceed with. That would be an emasculation of sec-don 6(1) and uself an unlawful poli-

4 The applicants submitted that the evidential test applied by the DPP, that he would intervene where there was clearly no case to

answer, was too rigid. His Lordship said that the formulation made clear that the DPP only intended to stop private prose-cutions on that ground where no reasonable decision maker could conclude that there was sufficient evidence for the case to go forward, which was a perfectly proper ap-5 It was submitted that the public

Deceased's estate cannot continue race bias claim

ther the Race Relations Act 1976 or

the Sex Discrimination Act 1975. They also submitted that it was

a general principle that where a

party to legal proceedings died those proceedings about unless

another person could, by virtue of the express terms of a statute or

rules of court, take them forward.

They said there was no power conferred on tribunals to substitute

the estate for a person making a complaint of unlawful discrimina-tion, and accordingly, the tribunal

The appeal tribunal concluded that section 1(1) of the Law Reform

(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act

1934, provided that causes of action

might survive for the benefit of or

against the estate of the deceased so as to include rights of action

founded on breaches of contractual obligations or for personal injuries

to the deceased, including damag-

es for pain and suffering and for loss of expectation of life and also

had no jurisdiction.

interest test applied by the DPP was wrong, and should be whether the public interest factors in favour of the private prosecution out-weighed those against rather than the other way around.
His Lordship rejected that argu-

ment, holding that the policy was perfectly consistent with the objects of the 1985 Act, and that it was strongly arguable that the test contended for by the applicants would place an illegitimate constraint upon the right of private prosecu-

In his Lordship's judgment, the DPP's policy was not unlawful, nor had it been unlawfully applied. 6 Finally, it was argued that the DPP had been wrong to let the charge of attempting to pervert the course of justice against Mr Duck-enfield go ahead having found that there was no case to answer on that

The DPP's reason had been that it was only appropriate to inter-vene in proceedings in their entire-ty or not at all, and so he had decided against discontinuing that charge while leaving the others. His Lordship said that it was ele

mentary that in criminal cases each count constituted a separate indictment. The correct articulation of the DPP's "no case" test in a dople prosecution was that the DPP should consider whether there was clearly no case to answer

on each charge.
in deciding that there was no case to answer on that one charge but allowing it to proceed, there had been a breach of Mr Duckenfield's legitimate expectation that the policy would be applied. The DPP's decision would be quashed only in so far as it related to that charge.

Police authority's decision The challenge turned on the construction of section 6(1) of the Police Act 1996, and section ttt(1) of the Local Government Act 1972. Mr Baker arrued, first, that section 6(1) of If enabled the funding, and, alternatively, that it was enabled by section [11(1) read with section 6(1). Ms Baxendale disputed both

those arguments.

Against the first, she said that section o(l) conferred no powers of any kind, but did no more than state the Act's policy and objects All the powers possessed by police authorities were expressly conferred in the Police Act 1996 and by local government legislation.

Against the second, she submitted that section 111(1) could not ena-ble a police authority to do anything that was not ancillary to a power which was elsewhere con-ferred upon it, and that since sec-

to include rights of action founded

was a matter of construing the stat-

use to see whether the rights of ac-

tion that were conferred by the stat-

ute were capable of inuring for the benefit of the estate of the deceased.

In principle no right or liability of a

purely personal mature could be

background to the proceedings it

ed not to provide that a cause of ac-

tion under the discrimination legislation survived for the benefit of

the estate. That was in contrast to

the way Parliament had dealt with

other rights such as unfair dismissal where specific statutory provi

There was nothing in the dis-crimination legislation itself, nor

in the Industrial Tribunals Rules

of Procedure (St 1993 No 2687), nor in the Employment Tribunals Act

sions had been introduced

Having regard to the legislative

assigned by operation of law.

But in relation to the latter, it

on statutory duties or rights.

section [11(1) did not help the authority.
In his Lordship's judgment, Ms Batendale's argument on section III(I) was wrong. The scheme of the 1996 Act involved the distribution of responsibilities between the

chief constable, the secretary of

state, and the police authority.

A consideration of those three interlocking roles led to the conclu-sion that Parliament could not have intended that the police au-thority should only he empowered to incur expenditure in support of those duties and ancillary powers specifically conferred upon it. Section (t)||) must, in that con-

text, allow the police authority to support what its express powers and duties also supported, namely its general function conferred by section 6(1). That was enough to dispose of the case in the applicants' His Lordship also went on to

consider Ms Baxendale's argument on section 6(1). She supported her argument with reference to section 88(4) of the 1996 Act which conferred an express power on police authorities to fund police officers' costs in tort proceedings, but made no mention of funding other kinds

proceedings. In his Lordship's judgment, section 88(4) was self standing and had no implications for the general reach of a police authority's func-tions. In his Lordship's view, secoon 6(1) enabled a police authority to do things which reasonably supported the function conferred by

section 6(1).
His Lordship noted that any decision taken under section ttl(l) would be subject to the principles Associated Provincial Picture Houses Ltd v Wedneshury Corpora-tion ([1948] 1 KB 223) and Padfield v Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (1968) AC 997), but the use of section 111(1) to finance police officers' legal expenses in lidga-tion, including defending private prosecutions brought against them and the bringing of judicial review proceedings by them could not in principle be ruled unlawful on

those grounds. Mr Justice Cresswell and Mr ustice Latham agreed.

Solicitors: Windsworth Sherwood, London and Walker Morris, Leeds: Crown Prosecution Service, Headquarters: Ms Arm Adlington. Liverpool: Hammond Suddards.

1996, which enabled or enotied a

personal representative to be sub-stituted for a deceased complain-

ant in a complaint of unlawful dis-

Those statutory rights which were akin to statutory torts were

not, as a maner of construction, ca-

pable of devolving on the estate. The tribunal had erred in law and

Before Lord Justice Judge, Mr Jus-oce Sachs and Mr Justice Klevan Judgment March 8)

but of what was proved or found to have been established. The Court of Appeal could not constitute itself as a court of first in stance inquiring into facts which

Criminal Justice Act 1988 for leave to appeal against a sentence as unduly lenient imposed on Kim High-field on December 8, 1998, at Chelmsford Crown Court (Judge Rogers) when on a plea of guilty to causing death by dangerous driv-ing she was sentenced to a commu-

ing which the witness looked through a viewing panel. Those events were recorded on video and were not in dispute. Nelson, who was waiting in a room nearby, had beard the com-motion, including shouting by Jones when he was being made to

No power to enforce

witness confrontation

degree of physical force to make his face visible, to restrain him and at one point to close his mouth.

There was a continuing struggle

throughout the confrontation dur-

confront the witness. The inspector in charge told Nelson that, if he did not consent to a confrontation quietly, reasonable force would be used to compel him to do so. Netson then agreed to be confronted and was identified. ft was submitted by counsel on

behalf of the appellants that there was a clear breach of Code D of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (s.66) Codes of Practice and that the trial judge should have ruled that evidence of identification in those circumstances was in

The judge had accepted a sub-mission that it was permissible for the police to use force to bring about the confrontation to ensure that the process was not frustrated and that the Codes permined it.

Mr Denyer sought to justify the use of force by reference to the 1984 Act and the Codes made thereunder; particularly Code D and An-

He also relied on Code C8, Conditions of Detention, where in paragraph C8.9 "Reasonable force may he used if necessary ... (i) to secure

nex C thereto which dealt with con-

structions, including instructions given in pursuance of the provi-sions of a code of practice..."

the 1984 Act which provided: Where any provision of this Act (a) confers a power on a constable; and (b) does not provide that the power may only be exercised with the consent of some person, other than a police officer, the officer may use reasonable force, if neces-

sary, in the exercise of the power. In their Lordships' view, section 117 was not to be interpreted as giving a right to exercise force whenever the consent of a suspect to a course of action taken under the Act by a constable was not re-

Code D with its annexes was made under section 66. There was no express or implied power to authorise a constable to use force in

On the contrary, it was to be presumed that any such power was exclusively contained in section 117. The mere fact that the secretary of state had included in Code Ca requirement that reasonable force might he used to secure conditions of detention did not, in their Lardships' view, authorise the use of

force, reasonable or otherwise, to bring about a confrontation. There had been a breach of the Codes of Practice in relation to each appellant. It was impossible to say what impact this identification evidence had on the jury and, accordingly, the appeals would be

Solicitors: Tyndallwoods, Birmingham: Crown Prosecution

Facts not decided on appeal

nity service order of 240 hours and

Attorney-General's ence (No 95 of 1998) Regina v Highfield

Regina v Jones (Derek)

Regina v Nelsou (Gary)

Judgment March 26)

Before Lord Justice Beldam. Mr

Justice Astill and Mr Justice Gray

There was no power enabling the police to use reasonable force to make a suspect submit to a confron-

The Court of Appeal, Criminal

Division, so held in a reserved judg-ment allowing appeals by Denek Jones and Gary Nelson against their convictions in July 1997 at

Bristol Crown Court (Mr Justice Keene and a jury) of murder, at

Mr fan MacDonald, QC, for Jones; Mr Courmey Griffiths for Nelson; Mr Roderick Denyer, QC,

LORD JUSTICE BELDAM, de

livering the judgment of the court, said that a co-defendant had been

convicted of the murder of one

man and the attempted murder of another. The appellants were con-

murder and anempted murder.

ricted of being concerned in that

The prosecution had arranged

for an identity parade to take place

some 18 months after the event but

tend on the ground that an identifi-

cation made so long after the event

The inspector in charge decided

that the witness should be confronted with the appellants. Jones object-

ed and put a garment over his

head and generally refused to coop-

Three police officers then used a

vould bave no value.

der. Retrials were ordered.

for the Crown.

npted murder and violent disor-

Whether a senience referred to the Court of Appeal by the Attorney-General was unduly lenient was a question which had to be decided

not in the light of what was alleged

had not been pursued or proved in

the crown court. The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so stated in adjourning an application by the Attorney-General under section 36 of the

disqualified for five years and until she had passed an extended retest. Mr Neil Moore for the Attorney-General: Miss Lorraine Webb. assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the offender.

LORD JUSTICE JUDGE said that the present reference as constituted put the court in an impossible posidon.

Two issues crucial to the sentence ing decision (i) whether the offender had consumed alcohol before rather than after the accident took place and (ii) whether the it was the first piece of dangerous driving by the offender that caused the fatal accident or whether it was the culmination of a protracted piece of bad driving, were merely asserted.

By the time the offender pleaded guilty some of those issues had been canvassed, at the trial but when counsel for the prosecution outlined the facts to the judge, nothing was said in his opening to suggest that the driving of the offender was affected by alcohol or indeed that It was the culmination of a prolanged piece of bad driving. The judge concluded that this was an isolated incident of momentary error with the most tragic consequences and he identified as the main aggravating feature that the offender did not stop and help after

the accident.
Their Lordships thought that the Attorney-General had to be consulted so that he could decide whether on the basis of the facts which could be proved it would be appropriate to refer or to continue with this reference. The applicadon for leave would, accordingly,

Their Lordships expressed con-cern that counsel for the offender had provided a fairly detailed analysis of some of the facts that were in issue but the application had not

been reconsidered at that time.
It was doubted whether if the present situation recurred the cours would be prepared to order an adjournment but rather, on the basis that the case was not sufficiently prepared, would be inclined simply to refuse icave.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor.

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Refusing discharge of psychopath

Budgment February Idl

Before the Lord Justice-Clerk (Lord Cullent, Lord McCluskey and Lord

Although sexual deviancy alone did not amount to a mental disorder, a person who was suffering from mental disorder, for example because he was a psychopath who persistently engaged in abnormal-ly aggressive and seriously irresponsible conduct, might manifest that conduct in the field of his deviancy, for instance in relation to his sexual contacts with young chil-

The Second Division of the Inner House of the Court of Session so held, refusing an appeal by W. a patient at the State Hospital. Carstairs, against the decision of the Lord Ordinary to refuse his appli-cation for judicial review of the sheriffs refusal to grant a discharge under section 64 of the Men-tal Health (Scotland) Act 1984.

Mr Graham Bell, QC and Mr Simon Collins for W: Mr Matthew Clarke, QC and Mr Colin Tyre. QC. for the secretary of state.

LORD McCLUSKEY, delivering the opinion of the court, said that the main issue in the proceedings arose from the fact that the appeliant was, and had been since at least 1974, a paedophile.

What had been argued on his behalf was that, although, as a paedophile, he fell to be regarded as a person exhibiting and affected by sexual deviancy within the 1984 Act, there was no other feature of his health or personality to warrant a conclusion that, at the date of the application to the sheriff he was suffering from a mental disorder within the meaning of section 1

It was common ground between the parties that "treated" in the context of section 1(3) was effectively synonymous with "deak with" and had no reference to medical or therapeuoc treatment.

For the petitioner, the main proposition had been couched in the following terms:

The effect of section 1(3) of the 1984 Act, when read with sections 64(1) and 17(1)(a)(i), and in the light of the decision of the House of Lords in Reid v Secretary of State for Scotland (1999 SLT 279), was

W (a Patient) v Secretary of that the sheriff, in an appeal under section 64, was obliged to direct the section 64, was obliged to direct the discharge of a restricted patient whose detention as a psychopath, a person suffering from a persistent disorder manifested only by abnor-

mally aggressive or seriously irre-sponsible behaviour, was founded on sexual deviancy, paedophilia, alone, or who, once that deviancy had been discounted, did not suffer from a psychopathic disorder which was of a nature or degree making detention appropriate.
The peddoner had referred fully to the legislative history of the pro-vision now found in section (3) of

rection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms. He submitted that Winterwerp v The Netherlands (1979) 2 EHRR 387) supported the proposition that article 5 could not be taken to permit the detention of a person simply because his views of lifestyle, characterised by, for example, sexual deviancy or drug dependency.

the 1984 Act and to article S of the

European Convention for the Pro-

viated from the norms prevailing in a civilised society. in their Lordships view, it was unnecessary to do more than note first that, at least for the purposes of the present proceedings, it was a

deviancy in section 1(3) of the Act must be taken to include paedo-Second, there was no room for

doubt, from the wording of the provision in section [3] itself, that if there was nothing established in relation to a person other than that he was sexually deviant in the sense of the subsection, it was ille-giumane to hold that he was suffermg from mental disorder for the nurposes of the Act. Their Lordships noted, however,

that the peridocer had submined that the court should apply the observation made by Mr Justice Mann J. in R v Mental Health Review Tribunal. Ex parte Clawor-thy (1985] 3 All ER 699, 701-21.

The respondent, however, had submitted that a distinction could,

the one hand, sexual deviancy unre-

lated to mental disorder and, on

the other, sexual deviancy which

was one manifestation, or even the

only manifestation, of an anti-social personality disorder. He had founded in particular upon the use of the word "only" in oon to what had been said by Lord

Health Act Commission, Ex parte X ([1988] 9 BMLR 77, 84-85].

In their Lordships view it was clear that there might be people disposed to, affected by and exhibiting sexual deviancy, and even engaging in sexually deviant conduction who could in no sense be regarded as suffering from mental disorder within the meaning of the Act. It was however clear that a per

son who was suffering from men-

tal disorder might manifest that conduct in the field of his deviancy, for example in relation to his sexual contacts with young children.

The petitioner had argued that it was an error in law for the sheriff not to make a finding as to whether or not he would have satisfied the criteria for detention in terms of section 17(1) of the Act if the index offence had been committed on or shortly before the date of the hear-

ing before him.
Their Lordships were satisfied that it was not necessary for him to make any express finding on what was necessarily a hypothetical situ-

Law Agents: Ballour & Manson, for Mckennas, Glenrothes: Solicifor to the Secretary of State for Scot-

Trustees can seek directions

Justice Stuart-Smith in R v Mental

Harding and Others v Joy Manufacturing Holdings

Before the Lord President (Lord Rodger of Earlsferry). Lord Osborne and Lady Cosgrove

(Judgment January 29) In the course of carrying out their duces, the trustees of a pension scheme might seek directions from the court on the legal implications of various courses of action they were contemplating, but it was not open to the trustees of a scheme constituted in Scotland to surren-

cretion vested in them. The First Division of the Inner House of the Court of Session so held, giving its opinion in relation m a petition for directions by Mr Peter Harding and others, trustees of Joy Manufacturing Holdings Lid pension and life assurance

der to the court the exercise of a dis-

trustees: Mr James Drummond Young, QC, for the respondents.

THE LORD PRESIDENT, delivering the opinion of the court, said that in England, trustees might in certain circumstances surrender their discretion to the court, which could then exercise it in their stead. That had been done, for instance, in Thrells Ltd fin Liquidation) v Lomas (1993) 1 WLR 456). It had been accepted by the peti-

accept the surrender to it of a discretion vested in trustees. Where it became impossible for trustees to exercise a discretion. an appropriate solution had been found, either in the appointment of new trustees, or of a fudicial factor: see Orr Ewing v Orr Ewing's Trustees ((1884) 11 R 600).

Even if, contrary to the tenor of

the authorides, there could ever be

circumstances where surrender

Mr James McNeill, QC, for the could be possible, there were

tioners that it had never been the

practice of the Court of Session to

sound practical reasons why the court should not exercise the trustees' discretion in this case.

The must deed provided that at least half of the trustees would he made up of employees or their nominees. The trustees might therefore be expected to have a knowledge and understanding of the company, the scheme and its history which would inform the exercise of the discretion vested in them. Moreover, the histories of events in the present case, and in similar cases to which their Lord ships had been referred, shower that, in discharging their duties, pension scheme trustees might re quire to explore various possible av enues and to negotiate with the company about their proposals.

appointed by the court be likely to take those steps as effectively as the trustees themselves. Law agents: McGrigor Donald: Bird Semple, WS.

The court could not take those

steps itself, nor would any reporter

the appeal would be allowed. Solicitors: Capsticks, Putney.

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Mr Hague has rightly told the

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Nato committed to moral crusade ■ Tony Blair committed Nato to a moral crusade against Presi-

dent Milosevic, insisting that the bombing would continue until the Yugoslav leader had been forced to "step down". Later it was made clear that the Prime Minister was not an-

nouncing a new Nato objective - the overthrow of Mr Milosevic - but he said the defeat of the Yugoslav leader was a moral imperative. On a visit to Nato headquarters Mr Blair said there would be no deals or compromises...

Britain hands over atrocity Intelligence

Britain is to hand over all the intelligence it has acquired about atrocities in Kosovo to Judge Louise Arbour, prosecutor for the International Criminal Tribunal in The Hague. Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, said it would be the "largest release of intelligence material" authorised by Britain......Page 1

Hatchet buried

Baroness Thatcher sought to end the longest running feud in British politics by publicly lavishing praise on Sir Edward Heath at 8 dinner in London. The former Prime Ministers have hardly exchanged a word since 1975 when Lady Thatcher succeeded Sir Edward as Tory leader Page I

School shooting

Two men in black trench coats and masks walked into a Washington high school and opened fire indiscriminately. Several children were carried from Columbine High School covered in blood but amid chaotic scenes it was uncertain if anybody had been killed... _Page 1

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A woman with an allergy to nuts died after taking a bite from a chip that she had dipped into a restaurant curry. Leann Rickaby. 24, suffered a severe allergic reaction despite rushing to the lavatory to make herself sick. She died on the way to hospital Page 13

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Early child

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British and Italian scholars hailed the discovery of eight almost perfectly preserved Ancient Roman ships buried in the mud of what was once the harbour at Pisa as "an astonishing step back into the past" and a "rare insight into Rome as a maritime and trading power". One wooden ship, with an elongated prow, is



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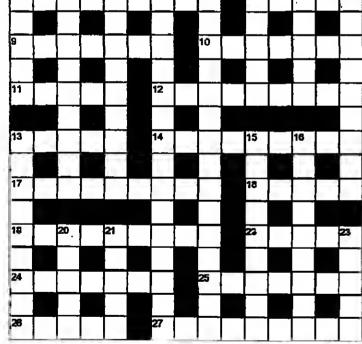
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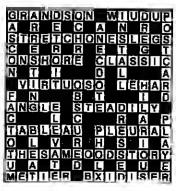
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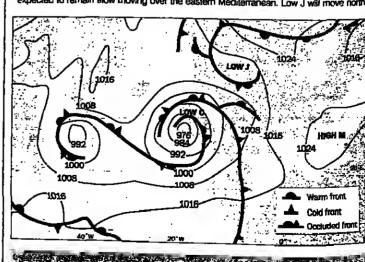
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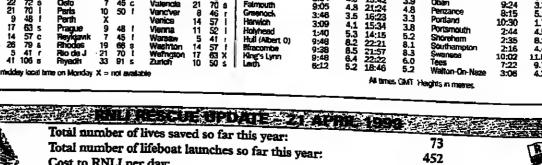
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All main economic regions set for growth improvement in 2000

IMF says crisis is over

FROM ANATOLE KALETSKY IN WASHINGTON

THE International Monetary Fund yesterday declared an end to the worst phase of world economic crisis that began almost two years ago in Asia and then spread to Russia and Latin America.

In its authoritative World Economic Outlook, published in Washington, the IMF said that all the main regions of the world should enjoy a significant improvement in economic conditions next year and that developing countries in Asia and Latin America would see a significant rebound.

While the IMF expects euroland growth to recover to 29 per cent in 2000, it conceded that one of the biggest risks for the world economy in the year ahead was that "the recent weakening of the euro area may turn out not to be transitory m spite of the welcome further reduction in interest rates

in April". Michael Mussa, IMF chief economist, said a further re-duction in European interest

rates could be appropriate if show a somewhat slower rethere were no signs of economic recovery in Europe over the

the coming months. Commenting on the asser-tion by Wim Duisenberg, Pres-ident of the European Central Bank, that this month's monetary easing would be the last in the present cycle, Mr Mussa said that central bankers should "never say never". For Britain, the IMF figures

covery than the one anticipat-ed by the Treasury and the Bank of England. The IMF expects only 0.7 per cent growth 1999, compared with the Treasury's 1 to 1.5 per cent forecast. In 2000, the IMF figures show growth of 21 per cent, against the Treasury's 2.25 to

2.75 per cent forecast. But IMF officials said the differences were not statistically

significant and emphasised that they had no fundamental disagreement with the Government on Britain's economic

The officials said that the IMF's lower figures were partly attributable to a recent revision of statistics for 1998 GDP by the Office for National Statistics, which had changed the baselines used for the forecasts. They added that the

most recent reduction in Britfrom 2.5 per cent in 1998 to 2.3 ish interest rates and the strong revival in business and consumer confidence would probably increase the momentum of recovery in Britain and that the first quarter of this year would almost certainly

rent economic cycle. For the world as a whole. the IMF expects GDP growth to slow marginally this year.

prove the low point of the cur-

per cent in 1999. The world economy should then accelerate to 3.4 per cent in 2000. The US is the only large economy in which the tMF an-

ticipates a stowdown and even there it attaches a much lower probability to earlier fears about a "hard landing" caused by a stock market crash or a balance of payments crisis. The forecasts for newly indus-

trialised economies in Asia have also been upgraded sharply. Even in Russia there has been a slight upgrading of the economic outlook, although the economy is still expected to shrink by 7 per cent this year and to stagnate in 2000.

The Japanese economy is forecast to shrink by 1.4 per cent this year and m grow by only 0.3 per cent in 2000. This contrasts starkly with

the Japanese Government's official projection of 0.5 per cent growth in the fiscal year 1999-2000. LINKS

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BUDGET EFFECT ADDS TO THE RATE OF INFLATION

INFLATION veered sharply off target in March but with most of the rise resulting from Budget tax increases, the City remains hopeful of further interest rate cuts

(Alasdair Murray writes). There was also good news for Gordon Brown as he bear his own full-year borrowing forecasts with a £7.4 billioo budget surplus, the best performance for a decade. Underlying inflation, which excludes mortgage interest payments, jumped above the Bank of England's target rate, climbing from 2.4 per cent to 2.7 per cent in March.

The rise, however, had been anticipated by the markets because of the excise duty rises, which added about 0.3 percent-

age points to the rate of inflation.

The City, which is expecting the Budget effect to drop out of the data in April, was also reassured by a better performance from the other measures of inflation. Headline inflation remained unchanged at 2.1 per cent with falling interest rate payments compensating for the rise in excise duties.

RPIY, which excludes taxes and mortgage interest payments, actually fell from 1.8 per cent to 1.7 per cent due to a decline in seasonal food prices.

Separate data published yesterday sup-ported the soft inflationary trend with en-

gineering sector wage growth continuing to fall steadily. Average pay deals de-clined from 2.6 per cent to 2.5 per cent in the three months to the end of February. The Government recorded a full-year

public sector oet cash requirement surplus of £7.4 billion, compared with a Treasury forecast of £5.2 billion. The strong performance was helped by a 14 per cent annual rise in income tax receipts helped by the self-assessment tax system. The Treasury also kept a tight rein on spending, which rose by just 3 per

only about 0.5 per cent. Commentary, page 31

by big sales of hi-tech

an overnight sell-off of technol-ogy stocks on Wall Street spilled over into Europe.

The FTSE 100 index closed down 195.8 at 6319.5, or 3 per cent, having fallen by as much as 235 points at one stage. It was the largest fall since early December last year.

Other European markets were also caught in the firing line with shares in Paris declining by 2.9 per cent. German shares closed down similar amounts with Deutsche Telecom tumbling 4 per cent despite continuing hopes of a merger with Telecom Italia.

The London market was ur nerved by the abrupt turna round on Wall Street during Monday's trading. The Dov Jones Industrial index ha been as much as 220 point higher by close in London bu later nosedived to close trad ing 53.4 lower.

The downwards trend con tinued yesterday with the Do Jones slipping around 4 points in early trading and of fering London little fresh sup port. The separate Nasdaq ir dex, which has a heavy concer tration of technology stocks also followed its 5.5 per cen dive on Monday with furthe

Technology stocks took a beating in London with Dixons, which has made strong gains due to the success of its Freeserve Internet service, losing nearly 8.5 per cent. Traders were divided on

end of this bull run, or whether investors were just pausing for markdown in technology shares as a positive sign, setting the stage for more broad market spread gains in the com-

at \$1.6161. The euro' also held firm after hitting a record low on Monday to reach 65.94p.

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stocks By Alasdair Murray ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT THE stock market yesterday numbled 200 points to record its heaviest losses this year as

Business

Today

Market snubs IMF

The great divide North v South

dimension to economic policymaking is becoming a staple of political debate

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The pound had a quieter day, gaining around half a cent against the dollar to close

Arnault raises glass to d'Yquem purchase - 13 m 1 1 1 2 25,006 364

By Fraser Nelson

BERNARD ARNAULT, chairman of LVMH, has woo his three-year battle for control of the Chateau d'Yquem vineyard - home to the most expensive wine in the world Count Alexandre de Lur-

Saluces has given up fighting M Arnault's advances and has sold out to him for £27 million. LVMH will now own a controlling 64 per cent stake in Château d'Yquem, in a deal

yard at £100 million. The takeover saga started when M Arnault stood up the Count at a Tokyo winetasting session in 1996.

that values the Bordeaux vine-

When the Count returned to France, he tearnt that Eugène. his 77-year-old brother, had agreed to sell his 17 per cent stake to M Arnault - allowing LVMH to mount a £50 million takeover bid.

He tried to sue Eugène, arguing he was mentally unfit to sell his shares and tegally forbidden from doing so without family permission. The wrangle bas been in French courts until last month, when M Arnault almost doubled his original offer.

The Couot, who will continue to run the vineyard, said: "My responsibility is to do all I can to ensure that Yquem remains unchanged. The assurances I have received from Bernard Arnault appear to guarantee the values I hold dear."

He had previously de-nounced M Arnault as a "corporate shark" and a "charlatan." Château D'Yquem has been run by the Lur-Saluces family for the past 406 years. Its dessert wine costs be-

tween £150 and £8,000 a bottle. It will now join Moet & Chandon, Dom Perignon and Veuve Clicquot in the LVMH drinks stable.



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Count Alexandre de Lur-Saluces among the vines that produce the famed Chateau d'Yquem dessert wines that sell for between £150 and £8,000 a bottle

Olympics lose J&J funding after scandal

By Jason Nissé

THE Olympics has suffered pic symbol from its advertisits first big sponsorship defecliterature. Revelations about gifts givtion since the corruption scan-

en by the Salt Lake City organ-ising committee to IOC memdal erupted within international Olympic Committee, the bers are at the heart of the corbody that runs the games. Johnson & Johnson, the US ruption scandal, which has healthcare group, has aban-doned plans for a \$30 million seen ten IOC members resign

J&J has been in talks with the US Olympic Organising (£19 million) deal to back the Winter Olympics at Salt Lake Committee for some months City in 2002. It is expected to be followed by news that John Hancock, about Salt Lake City. It sent advisers to the IOC meeting last the US insurance group, based in New England, is not month when the IOC adopted measures aimed at tackling going to renew its \$50 million corruption in the organisation. sponsorship deal after next J&J admitted that the corrupyear's summer Games in tion scandal was a factor in its

decision against sponsorship. Michael Payne, the tOC's John Hancock — which, unlike Johnson & Johnson, is one of the IOC's Il core "partmarketing director, denied that the J&J decision was a big blow. "We talk to potenoal sponsors all the time and there are a whole series of reasons why deals cannot be concludand has removed the Olymed," he said.

Corzine looks at LTCM deal

FROM ADAM JONES IN NEW YORK

JON CORZINE, the co-chairman of Goldman Sachs, may launch a buyout of Long Term Capital Management, the hedge fund whose nearcollapse caused global market chaos last year.

Mr Corzine, who is due to leave Goldman after it floats this year, is understood to be sounding out potential backers with the help of John Meriwether, the former Salomon Brothers trader who founded the hedge fund, and other LTCM partners. A source close to the parties said: "It's

in a very early stage."

LTCM came close to bankruptcy after Russia's financial crisis hit bond markets last year, savaging LTCM's portfo-lio. A consortium of 14 banks and brokers, including Goldman Sachs, Merxill Lynch and Barclays, put \$3.6 billion into LTCM to keep it afloat, giving it 90 per cent of the fund. The other ten per cent is owned by the original LTCM investors.

Alchemy may be on the Inn **Business trail**

By DOMINIC WALSH

ALCHEMY PARTNERS, the venture capital group, is un-derstood to be in talks in acquire Inn Business, the tenanted pub operator, for more than £60 million.

Undeterred by the recent failure of its attempt to buy Vaux Breweries from Swallow Group, Alchemy is also among the bidders for Swallow's tenanted pub estate, which is expected to fetch more than £120 million.

Alchemy's ambitious twinpronged move is set against a background of a rapidly consolidating tenanted pub sec-tor. To date, Enterprise Inns and Nomura, the Japaneseowned securities house, have led the way, but Jon Moulton, Alchemy's managing partner, who recently acquired Ushers of Trowbridge, is clearly keen to catch up.

His cash offer for Inn Business is believed to be worth between 80p and 90p a share, valuing the company at £64 million to £72 million — or £100 million-plus including borrowings. Last night, the shares

closed 3p higher at 7tp.
Alan Jackson, the Inn Business chairman, is thought to have contacted Alchemy in the wake of an unsolicited approach in January from Enterprise Inns. Enterprise subsequently withdrew but is expected to return to fray when Alchemy bids.

Including Scorpio Inns, in which it has a 25 per cent stake, Inn Business has a total estate of almost 700 pubs. It recently reported a 20 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £7.6 million from turnover of £37.6 million. It has a net asset value

Neither Alchemy nor Inn Business would comment.

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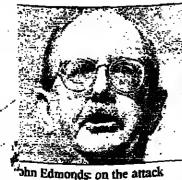
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DTI and Bank attacked by union leaders By CHRISTINE BUCKLEY



INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

ners" - has been outspoken

in its criticism of how the or-

ganisation has been dealing

with the corruption scandal

UNION LEADERS yesterday rounded on the Government and the Bank of England, demanding action to revive manufacturing. Their attacks come as the future of the Kvaerner/ Govan shipyard hang in the balance and follow a stream of job losses.

John Edmonds, General Secretary of the GMB, blamed the Department of Trade and Industry and the Bank's Monetary Policy Committee for leav-

ing manufacturing "to live year by year on the edge of extinction". Roger Lyons, leader of the MSF.

joined the calls for a shake-up of the Monetary Policy Committee, saying it had little appreciation of manufacturing and the effects of job losses on regions such as Scotland, which has one of the highest unemployment rates. He said the Bank should be renamed "the Bank of South-East England". He called for the MPC's Alan Budd in be replaced by a manufactur-

Mr Edmonds told the Scottish Trades Union Congress that if manufacturing were to have a future there was "no place for the DTI mentality" and that "setting interest rates is too important to be left to a bunch of dilettantes". He spoke as unions backed a call for a full-scale strategic review of manufacturing industry and urged the Government to bring forward Ministry of Defence contracts to help prospects for the threatened Kvaern-

er shipyards. While Mr Edmonds emphasised

he was not criticising Stephen Byers, the Trade and Industry Secretary. who helped to secure the future of Rover's Longbridge plant, he said that the prevailing attitude of DTI civil servants was to discourage anything they feared as protectionism.

by the DTI in favour of a European campaign. He said as soon as the minister "relaxes for a moment", the DTI offers manufacturing initiatives little support.

He said a union-backed move to promote British goods was snubbed

SB hopes for brittle bone treatment dashed

BY PAUL DURMAN

SIDE effect problems have forced SmithKline Beecham to abandon work on an osteoporosis drug that was one of its most promising compounds after spending hundreds of millions of pounds on its development.

The setback with idoxifene, which was intended to prevent the brittle bone disease, will increase the importance placed on Avandia, the potential diabetes blockbuster, which American regulators will review tomorrow. The success of Avandia, which if approved could be launched in June. is seen as the cornersione of SB's future growth, and even of the company's con-tinued independence. Jan Leschly, chief execu-ove, said SB had spent hun-

dreds of millions" on taking idoxifene through to phase til trials but a recent review concluded that the drug would not be effective. Some forecasts had suggested the drug could generate annual sales of almost £500 million a year. SB is cominuing to develop the compound to ireat breast cancer.

The group reported strong first-quarter results. with pre-tax profits to per cent ahead at £510 million from sales 11 per cent higher at £2.1 billion. The growth came largely from Seroxat/ Paxil, the anri-depressant that is winning market share from Eli Lilly's Prozac, from the anubiotic Augmenun, whose sales rose 19 per cent to £297 million, and from Nicorette and other anti-smoking products, where sales grew by two-thirds to

SB has also had to stop work on developing Famvir to treat hepatins B because of poor mial results. Mr Leschly said \$B still had six drugs in phase III development, including Ariflo for emphysema, the potent antibiotic Factive and Bexxar for non-Hodgkin's lympho-

Mr Leschly dismissed persistent suggestions that he intends to rerire early - a the likelihood of SB entering into a merger.

He said the company was on course to meet its forecast for this year of underlying earnings growth of 13 per cent. After adjusting for currency fluctuations, firstquarter earnings per share rose by exactly this amount.

Clinical Laboratories and Diversified Pharmaceurical Services, the two American businesses recently sold for \$2 billion (El.25 billion), contributed quarterly profits of only £11 million, although this was a sharp improvement on last year.

The success with smoking cessarion products enabled the consumer healthcare division to increase profits by 27 per cent to £89 million.

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Bill Wood, left, managing director of Cosalt, and Neil Carrick, financial director, wearing survival clothing made by the supplier of workwear and safety equipment to unveil flat profits of £2.3 million in its half year to February 28. Cosalt blamed "challenging" trading conditions. Earnings per share fell 4 per cent, to 12.8p. The interim payout rises to 4.75p (4.5p).

Bank chiefs fear cost of three-way merger

THE French banking industry is fearing for its future amid the growing prospect that the hosole three-way merger between Banque Paribas, Societé Générale and Banque Nation-ale de Paris(BNP) could end in The banks' senior executives

acknowledge that the biner battle may fail to produce a clear winner, instead leaving the financiers linked by a string of minority shareholdings. They say this would under-

mine the strength of the industry and they have no idea how France's banking regulators would solve the problem.

"That is a way of destroying the French banking system." Daniel Bouton, the chairman

MILES EMLEY, the chair-

man of magazine and direct

mail printer St Ives, said yes-

terday that the much feared

UK recession had not hit — at

St Ives is closely linked with

many parts of the economy.

printing books - including

Maeve Binchy bestsellers - a

range of consumer and profes-

sional magazines, direct mail-

ings, and documentation for

mergers and acquisitions. Yes-

terday Mr Emley said: 'This

was the recession that never

But he added: 'The growth

least not in its markets.

No recession for

us, says St Ives

BY ROBERT COLE. CITY CORRESPONDENT

of SocGen, said yesterday. The French Government, through its regulators, has promised to intervene in such circumstances. But many are concerned that the distractions and uncertainty could encourage foreign banks to take a closer look at the French market.

would also send an unfavourable message to international inabout France's progress in developing its financial system, SocGen and Paribas have

agreed to merge, but the deal has been complicated by a Fr208 billion (£20.9 billion) hosule takeover bid for both banks by BNP. SocGen and Paribas are re-

rate has slowed and, to use the jargon, there is a soft landing."

His comments came as St

Ives posted a 13 per cent rise in

pre-tax profits to £27.3 million

for the six months to 29 Janu-

ary. Earnings per share rose to 18.04p from 16.23p and the

half time dividend is 0.5p

St lves shares were the best

performing of the top 350 Lon-

don stocks yesterday rising more than 10 per cent to

530 p, on a day of sharply fall-

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ahead at 4.25p.

ing markets.

jecting BNP's offer on the grounds that a hosole, threeway merger has never been achieved in the banking sector and would not work in this

day that a three-way merger would see the trio's combined revenue from retail banking fall by at least 5 per cent, and possibly much more. He argued that the revenue

M Bouton claimed yester-

drop, which would be caused customers taking some of their business to banks unconnected to the group, would occur immediately.

But M Bouton said it would take significantly longer to bring down costs to the same

SocGen and Paribas also rejected suggestions made yesterday by Claude Bebear, a BNP director, who claimed that senior executives of the two takeover targets had told him in February that they might be interested in forging closer des with a retail bank such as

André Levy-Lang, Paribas chairman, said the possibility of a three-way merger involving BNP was first raised by AXA, the French insurance group chaired by M Bebear. M Bébéar is also a director of SocGen and Paribas.

M Levy-Lang said he and M Bouton told M Bebear that they "had other things to wor-ry about than BNP".

TWO employees of HSBC Holdings, the banking group, earned more than £2 million

last year according to the com-

and £25 million and another

received between £2.1 million

They were among a team of

five traders who earned a total

of £8.18 million between them.

The five - not named - al-

most certainly work at HSBC Investment Bank in London.

The worst-paid of the five

earned the same as the best

pany's annual report. One picked up a package worth between £24 million

and £2.2 million.

Shell says Europe is hindering ethical line

BY CARL MORTISHEO INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EDITOR

SHELL, the multinational oil company, says that European law is preventing it from black-listing corrupt oil industry con-

tractors The Angle-Dutch oil group yesierday published its annual report on ethics and sustainable development, which disclosed that it sacked 69 contractors and suppliers last year. It dismissed three employees for alleged bribery in 1998 and decisions are pending on three

Mark Moody Stuart, Shell's chairman, admitted that the ethics of some suppliers were highly quesoonable. "I would dearly love to cross them off the list," he said. "If we did so, we would be in trouble with the European Commission."

He denied that Shell hid behind its contractors in countries, such as Nigeria, where corruption is widespread. If we felt a company was not behaving ethically in relacion to our ousiness, we would termi-

nate that contract," he said.

Mr Moody-Stuart admitted, however, that the problem is common. "You cannot impose on people's general work your own standards." he said. "If we did that, we could not deal with certain companies. If you read the French newspapers. you would see that is the case."

Shell's report. People. Planet & Profits shows a reduction in incidents of corruption among staff compared with 1997, when 23 people were sacked. However, the report indicates that a fifth of the group's 131 country chairmen identified bribery and corruption as a concern.

Shell's report includes critiques of its social development policy, published from its Internet forum. One entry reads: "All very well, but how did you manage to lose 25 per cent of the stock value in two months? By social activity? Get real!"

Mr Moody-Stuart said:
"Our commitment to sustaina-

"Our commitment to sustainable development is inextrica-bly linked to our long-term

paid director of HSBC, the chairman of the group's

Hongkong Bank subsidiary.

John Strickland. Mr Strick-

land, who retired at the end of

last year, received a total pack-

The report also points out

that senior directors and man-

agers are in line for a £3.03 mil-

lion windfall from the group's

restricted share plan. This

scheme was opposed by many

shareholders when it was intro-

duced in 1996 because it was

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too generous to its recipients.

age worth £934,000.

HSBC's star team

of five makes £8m

By JASON NISSE

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

C&W poised to raise bid for IDC

THE financial and political banle to control IDC, one of Japan's leading telephone companies, will intensify today when Cable & Wireless raises its Y63 billion (£330 million) bid for the company. The moves comes amid a rumbling political dispute over alleged Japanese protectionism, sparked by IDC's acceptance of an offer from NTT. Japan's dominant telecoms operator in which the Tokyo Government has a controlling stake. C&W is expected to approach IDC's shareholders directly with its new offer, which analysts believe could be as high as Y76 billion. C&W already has a 17.7 per cent stake in

Stephen Byers. Britain's Trade and Industry's Secretary, has already written to the Japanese Government, warning it that if NTT gains control of 1DC, it will "raise regulatory and

Internet warning

WESTERN EUROPE faces a devastating shortage of almost 600,000 Internet experts by 2002, potentially ruining the region's economic competitiveness, a report out today says. The shortage is likely to hit small and medium-sized firms hardest because it will let freelancing "networking professionals" keep on raising their fees. The Internet Economy — An Employment Paradox? by IDC, the researcher, for Cisco Systems. forecasts a UK shortage of about 82,000 experts by 2002.

Jurys takes over Doyle

JURYS Hotel Group has finally coaxed its privately-owned Dublin rival. Doyle Hotel Group, to the altar, Seven months after it admined being in talks. Jurys yesterday announced it was taking over Dovle for 6238.2 million (£157 million). Including debi. Dovle is worth 6314.4 million. Jurys, to be renamed Jurys Doyle Hotel Group, is paying half in new shares and the balance in cash. Doyle has seven hotels in Dublin, three in Washington DC and the Clifton Ford Hotel in London.

Video five sign up

FIVE video games developers, with an average age of 28, vesterday signed a multi-million pound deal with Eidos, the company behind his games titles such as Tomb Raider. The five are to develop new titles for Eidos through their Free Radical Design company. Four of them were previously responsible for the Goldeneve video game adaptation of the James Bond film, which has so far sold more than six million copies. The terms of yesierday's deal have not been disclosed.

Bellway sales slip

BELLWAY, the residential housebuilder, blamed delays in the planning process for a slight drop in the number of sales in the first half but said it was confident of making up ground during the rest of the year. Pre-tax profits for the six months to January 31, 1999, fell to £21.2 million, from £22.8 million, as the number of homes sold in the period slipped to 2,007 from 2,092. The interim dividend rises to 3.3p (3.0p).

New Michelin man

MICHELIN, the French tyre manufacturer, yesterday announced that Edouard Michelin, 36, would succeed his father, François, 73, as head of the secretive, family-controlled firm. The transition comes as a sensitive time for Michelin, following an 8.5 per cent fall in profits last year to Ffr 3.7 billion (£372 million) because of the intense com-pection with Bridgestone and Goodyear.

McCarthy & Stone up

McCARTHY & STONE, the retirement homes builder, is to exploit the "firmness" in the housing market to invest up to £20 million in the North East and West of England. In the six months to February 28, the company sold 605 homes up from 490 last time, and booked a 33 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £12.1 million on turnover of 51.7 million (£41.0 million). The interim dividend rises to 1.33p (1.0p).

Air Partner down 35%

AIR PARTNER, the chartered corporate jet group formerly known as Air London International, said yesterday that profits slumped 35 per cent at the interim stage because of a fall off in demand over the Christmas quarter. Pre-tax profits for the six months to January 31 were £849,000, but the company is raising the interim dividend to 3.5p (3p) on improved prospects for the second half. The shares fell 124p to 2124p.

Mi-price

It's the good life for L&G and the Pru

Miles Emley: 'soft landing'

By Gavin Lumsoen

THE life insurance sector remained in buoyant mood yesterday as Legal & General and Prudential revealed new business had risen by 32 per cent and t8 per cent respectively in the first quarter of the year.

Consolidating its dominance of the market in pooled corporate pension funds, L&G won a string of new mandates for its index tracking investment

style, giving it £2.9 billion of new mon- off payments and away from pension ey to manage, an increase of 97 per cent on the same period last year.

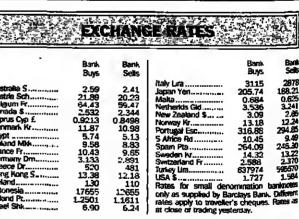
Meanwhile, the Pru's banking operaoons, including Egg, brought in another £3 billion to deposits, bringing to £5 billion the total of cash it now handles on behalf of 400,000 savers.

In their core areas of long-term savings, both insurers reported good growth, although the two trends away from regular premiums towards onetowards investment policies continued. Single premium with profit and in-

vestment bonds proved especially popular as older savers shifted money out of low interest building society and bank accounts. L&G's bond sales rose 42.4 per cent to £144 million while the Pru's Prudence Bond surged 59 per cent to

Overall, L&G saw UK weighted individual sales, including Peps and unit trusts, advance by 29.3 per cent to £100.5 million.

By contrast, the Pru's entire UK operadon increased sales by a reladvely meagre 8 per cent to £215 million. Scottish Amicable, the group's channel for independent financial advisers, achieved a 24 per cent rise in sales to £111 million, although the effect of this was negated by the Pru's salesforce which upped sales by 10 per cent to



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Speculators cheered by interest in Greenalls

INVESTORS were happy to raise a glass to Greenalls, the pubs and De Vere hotel chain operator, amid claims Whitbread is poised to launch a bid. Greenalls touched 351p before settling 81/2p dearer at 3451/2 p as talk of a bid of up to 500p a share from rival Whitbread. 31p higher at £10_38. did the rounds.

Whitbread is known to be on the lookout for suitable acquisitions and brokers reckon that its Marriott hotel chain would make a nice fit with Greenalls De Vere chain and David Lloyd with Village Leisure.

The speculators were also keeping an eye on Swallow Group, up 124p at 3174p. ness was recently the subject of a failed management buyout. Analysts reckon Whitbread, Ladbroke, and Millennium & Copthorne Hotels could all be interested.

The overnight loss of a 250-point lead on Wall Street and heavy losses suffered by the high-tech stocks on Nasdag sent investors in London scurrying for cover. Prices turnbled across the board in London as investors raced to take profits following the record breaking run of the past few days. Opening losses for the Dow Jones industrial average in early trading yesterday only compounded the problem.

The FTSE 100 index, down 235.1 at one stage, eventually closed 195.5 lower at 6,319.8 in another big trading session that saw 1.2 billion shares change hands. The FTSE 250 index also shed 95.8 to 5.753.6. Further losses are expected over the next few days.

There was a clear move by investors out of telecom stocks. which suffered some of the biggest falls among blue chips, and into the drinks and leisure sectors. Energis dropped 137p to £15.51. Reaters 701/2p to 8614p, COLT Telecom 83p to £10.70 and Telewest 20p to 2524p, while Reckitt & Colman climbed 18p to 679½p. Diageo 12p to 688p and Scot-

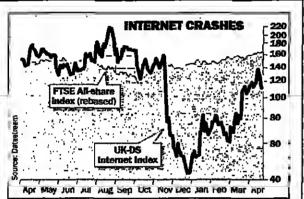
tish & Newcastle 4p to 703p. Marks & Spencer rose llp to 444%p on the back of speculation that Warren Buffett has acquired a 3 per cent stake. ker, says the shares are a

746p, continued to lose ground in the wake of announcing merger terms with Asda, 10p



John McCarthy, chairman, left, and Keith Lovelock, chief executive, saw shares of McCarthy & Stone slip 31/2p to 2031/2p

off at 1834p. The Television The prospect of a bidding war developing for control of First Choice Holidays, 2p firmer at 192p, took some of Corporation, a recent high-flyer, came under pressure re-treating 6p to 2924p after Terry Bate, chairman, sold one the shine off its other competimillion shares at 296p. He contors with Airtours losing another 35p to 4531/2p and Thomtinues to hold 4.6 million, or 17.78 per cent. Earlier this son Travel shedding 16p to week, Schroder Investment 159p. Thomson is adamant Management lifted its stake in that it will not give up its stathe company to 3.4 million tus as market leader. Howevshares, or 13 per cent. er, fund managers, still mind-



THE self-off of technology stocks this week on Nasdaq is likely to act as a warning to investors not to get too carried away. Investors on both sides of

the Atlantic have been indiscriminately buying shares in companies that have yet to make a profit and whose market value is based on their alleged potential to do daq is probably a healthy

Losses were recorded in Internet players such as Geo Interactive Media. down 8p at 136½p, On-Line, 9p lower at 142½p, Ioternet Technology, 13p cheaper at 179p, Easynet, 30p down at

18p to 1631/2p.
Acorn Group was another casualty. dropping 241:p to 219p. It has a 27 per cent stake in Arm Holdings. steady at £25.95, which en-

505p, and Sports Internet

London Pacific, which is reckoned to boast a \$1 billion portfolio of Internet stocks, fell 55p to 3721/sp.

ful of the damage inflicted on the industry during the last price war, are said to be seething at the company's threat to go down the same route in a bid to damage Airtours should it target First Choice.

First Choice has already agreed terms with Kuoni of Switzerland, but City speculators are convinced that one of its rival companies will be

making a spoiling bid. Bid hopes at Blagden Industries dived when the group announced plans to dispose of a "substantial part" of the business and return the proceeds to shareholders. Blagden was the subject of unsuccessful bid talks with potential partners last year. The price finished

4½p lower at 147p.
Aggregate Industries retreated 4p to 84½p as some chunky blocks of stock went through the market. It included 2.5 million at 87p, and a fur-ther 2 million at 86p.

By contrast, Thistle Hotels firmed 1%p to 179p supported by the appearance of a large buyer snapping up a line of 3.46 million shares at 177p and 3.4 million also at 177p. A further line of 1.19 million went through at the 178p level. The shares now stand just 9p above the 170p they were floated at in the autumn of 1996.

Affinity Internet, the Internet provider, began trading on AIM after a placing by Charles Stanley, the broker, at 70p. Despite the drubbing received by other high-tech stocks, Affinity ended the session at 140p.

There was a lukewarm response to interim results from McCarthy & Stone, down 3½p at 203%p. The builder and operator of sheltered accommodation reported an increase in pre-tax profits of £12 million compared with £9.1 million

☐ GILT-EDGED: Bond prices stretched this week's lead with gains stretching to more than II among longer-dated is-sues. In the futures pit, the June series of the long gilt rose 43p to £117.48 as 21,000 contracts were completed. In longs. Treasury 8 per cent 2021 rose 113p to £147.68, while in shorts Treasury 7 per cent 2002 □ NEW YORK: US blue chips were lower despite a recovery in high-tech shares. At midday the Dow Jones industrial average was down 41.23 points to 10.399.30.

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Avandia is the key

ONLY in the merger-crazed drug sector could a company producing a robust 16 per cent increase in quarterly ore-tax profits to £510 million be seen as vulnerable to a takeover. But that chance continues to buoy SB shares, even though pharmaceutical stocks in general have been out of favour lately.

After some disappointing noises from Pfizer and Eli Lilly. SmithKline Beecham turned in a strong set of figures yesterday. SB's twin pillars, the anodepressant Paxil/Seroxat and the ageing antibiotic Augmentin, continue to grow strongly. And the company expects to wring £200 million of annual savings from the factory closures and other belt-tightening measures. It should have little trouble meeting its forecast for 13 per cent growth in earnings this year.

But look beyond Paxil and Augmenon, and

on the outcome of tomorrow's American review of Avandia, SB's diabetes drug, Relifex/ Relafen for arthritis and the antiemetic Kytril are going backwards. The heart drug Kredex/ Coreg is finally taking off, but its sales remain small. The failure in trials of idoxifene, a promising drug for brittle bone disease, clearly does not help. Avandia, already filed for regulatory approval in 33 countries, could help to relieve the pressure. Warner-Lambert's Rezulin is already generating \$750 million a year and Avandia appears to be a safer drug SB is a fine company and, although drug stock valuations still look stretched, it represents a good each-way bet. Either Avandia will deliver conrinued growth in earnings, or Glaxo Wellcome will come calling again. Hold.

St Ives

IN THE past six mooths shares in St Ives have all but doubled in value. The scale of the achievement is tempered by the fact that the stock virtually halved in value in the previous quarter. Bot in truth neither the de-rating, nor the rerating had much to do with

trading at the company.

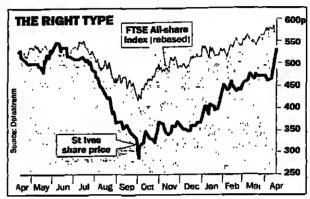
Swinging sentiment about the wider economic environment is responsible for the St Ives share price volatility. The business is closely connected with the health of the economy. Six months ago we sat at the nadir of last year's gloom. Now things, in this country at least, look much

rosier.
All the while trading results have ocked along nicely. There was confirmation of St Ives's reliability in the interim figures published yester-day. Pricing pressure means St Ives will always have to agingly, good chunks of busiwork hard to deliver returns. ness are also in added service There is a latent - probably very latent - threat that St lves's core printing business will be overtaken by e-com-

But this company has underlying strengths and the management shows every sign of knowing, and working to, its challeoges. Eocour-

and time sensiove sectors, both factors which help margin. St Ives invests in plant and in value adding acquisitions, and yet is strongly cash generative and ungeared.

At 53014p, the shares trade on a forward p/e of 14. This is likely to be a volatile share. but it is a good share to hold.



Debenhams

WHILE all about have been making horrible mistakes, Debenhams has done nothing wrong. It is an achievement to increase profits de-spite falling sales and despite the fact that competitors have discounted frantically.

To a large extent, the market already recognises Deben-hams' virtues. Its shares have been rising steadily throughout the poor winter and spring trading periods. Moreover, an upturn in consumer confidence is more likely to benefit retailers in highly cyclical areas, such as furniture and DIY, and those with high operational gearing, such as Arcadia -Debenhams' former stable-

mate in the Burtons empire. But from an operational point of view, Debenhams investors. Many innovations - such as the development of of the Burton Group, but the

management has continued along the same lines with great success. More brands are being introduced to the stores, both those that are self-generated and those that come in from outside, such as Pierre Cardin.

The company is concentrating on margins, but there is plenty of scope for sales to rise in the next three to four years with new store openings in the offing, and a refurbishment programme under way. Even after their good run, the shares remain on a 15 per cent discount to the market. Buy.

Inn Business

SHAREHOLDERS of Inn Business have had a torrid time during the past 12 months. But patience could not two, takeover predators lurking. Last month Entertheless, there is every chance that Alchemy Partners, the venture capitalist, will bid. And this might prompt Enterprise to return to the fray.

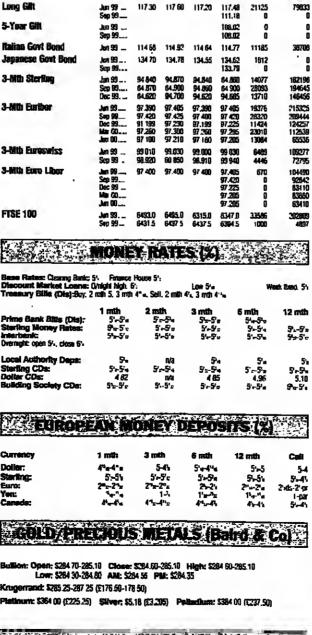
Even if you take a worstcase scenario and neither bid materialises, a compelling positive case remains. Inn Business's recent full-year results, showed a 20 per cent jump in pre-tax profits. It met market expectations, and the acquisidon of Trent Taverns and a 25 per cent stake in Scorpio Inns should ensure continued progress.

Management is adept at controlling costs while investing wisely in both its core tenanted houses and its fledgeling Hooden Horse managed pubs. Peel Hunt, the company's broker, is forecasting earnings per share this year of 9.55p valuing the shares on Buy the shares, but grab

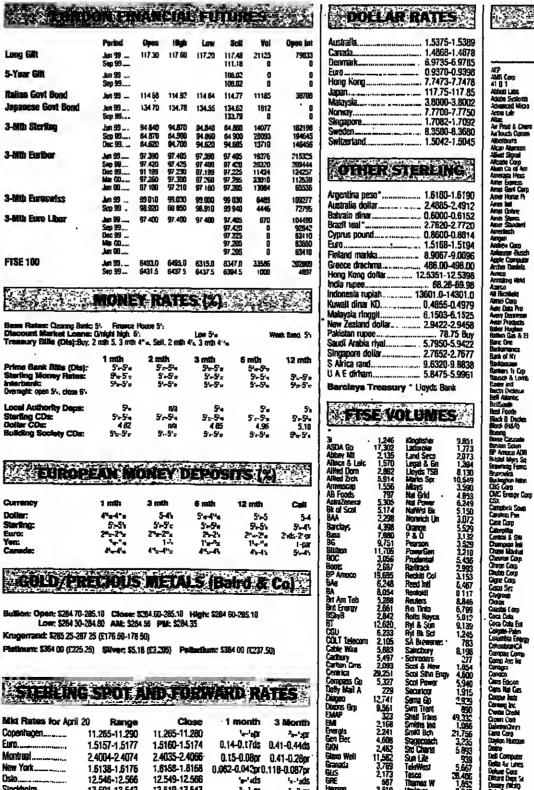
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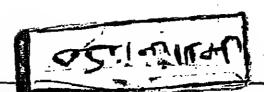
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s the IMF sounded the allclear yesterday, investors apparently dived for the air raid shelters. In Washington, they may have decided that global meltdown is not about to happen but in London, this welcome reassurance was greeted with a

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Could this apparently churlish response have actually been the result of a close reading of the IMF forecasts and a realisation that, while worldwide recession may have been avoided, share prices have run way out of line of growth prospects? Unlikely, What we saw was just a little bout of profit-taking rather than any dawning of long-term common sense.

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That Dixons was one of the major victims does not amount to a realisation that its sudden transformation into an Internet stock is, to be charitable, still unproven. The shares still trade at almost treble their low point for the year. No wonder some were tempted to crystallise the extraordinary gains they have made.

COLT Telecom, even after yes-

terday's hefty 71p dip, remains in the stratosphere, and profitless. At some stage, stock markets on both sides of the Atlantic will have to reassess valuations in relation to earnings, but that day has not yet arrived. The IMF takes the view that the threat of a stock market crash in the US is now abating, but a significant adjustment is inevitable.

For the UK, the IMF predicts only 0.7 per cent growth in the

Shares go their own way

current year, lower than the Treasury's own forecast of between 1 and 1.5 per cent. That FISE companies are now selling on an average of more than 28 times earnings indicates the incredibly optimistic view being

pursued by some investors.
Looked at starkly, the figures are enough to drive one into sympathising with poor Tony Dye and his colleagues at PDFM but we all know where their determinedly rational approach has left them: losing clients at a rapid

Mr Dye insists on looking at the real world rather than the virtual one. John Monks, the trade union leader, is peering through the same untinted speciacles and yesterday he was once more warning of the two nations into which the UK is rapidly dividing. Jobs in manufacturing industry continue to ebb away: what is manufactured in Morocco for Marks and Spencer is no longer manufactured in Britain. There are now regions of the country where the only new jobs being created appear to be in call centres built to service the needs of those in the wealthier parts of the country. And the chances are that as the virtual world takes hold, and more and more business is done over the Interpret, the



call centres will become as redundant as many of those who now staff them once were.

Lower interest rates will not revive ship-building in Britain nor restore the textile industry, yet the calls for further cuts go on. Yesterday John Edmonds denounced the members of the Monetary Policy Committee as "dilettante" and intimated that a trade unionist on the MPC could change things. Wishful thinking.

Even gnomes slam withholding tax

here is honour among financial centres after all.
Zurich, the supposed beneficiary of the European Commission's loopy proposals to impose withholding tax on interest, turns out to be aghast at the idea. Being neutral means trying not to upset more powerful nations such as Germany too much. The last thing the Swiss want to do, therefore, is to upset all their neighbours and key trad-

ing partners at once. But that is exactly what they would do if they vacuumed up the custom not just of eurobond investors but of EU savers as a whole to avoid the EU withholding tax

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A high-level Swiss financial delegation, which came to the City yesterday to promote its high-tech integrated trading system to eurobond traders, instead spent much of its time disclaiming any desire to host the fleeing billions, although the Swiss would probably toe the Brussels line rather than challenge it, lest some future referendum favoured joining the EU.

If that sounds good news for promoters of the tax, it isn't. The Swiss have their own 35 per cent withholding tax but exempt foreign holders of essentially foreign stocks. Georg Krayer, president of the Association of Swiss Bankers, points out that the issue has only resurfaced because savings immediately fled to Luxembourg when Germany and The Netherlands last tried all-purpose national withholding taxes.

At the weekend meeting of EU finance ministers in Dresden, the UK appeared to be playing dangerously with some compromise formula to save the London eurobond trade. Even Mario Monti, the retiring EU Tax Commissioner, says that this will not work. He has not explained that it would tax small investors but exempt the rich, a formula that even the most federal-minded social democrat might find hard to swallow. There are yet more compelling reasons for London to say no, such as higher taxes for even the smallest pension saver.

Lixembourg, unlike panting Blairite Britain, is at the centre of Europe. Its burghers know how to do things. At Dresden, Lixembourg called for harmonisation (or banning) of inward investment incentives to be brought in with the withholding tax. It was a cunning move. This project is being led by our own Dawn Primarolo. It has counted 200 new ruses and rising. No effective recommendations are likely before November, long after tax-hungry

Germany has lost the EU presi-

dency, if ever.

As back-up, Doctor Krayer has a suggestion for Gordon Brown.

Start by imposing tax at source on government debt, which is fully under control of member states, to see how it goes. That should bring discussion to a halt.

Just what the doctor ordered

he antidepressants are working wonders for Jan Leschly. There may be mutterings of protest about his latest pay package but doctors' enthusiasm for Smithkline Beecham's advance on Prozac will help to ensure that he reaps the maximum rewards for his labours.

The deep-rooted belief that he

The deep-rooted belief that he is worth up to £93 million over nine years will enable Mr Leschly to face up to next week's annual meeting with a smile and without the benefit of any happy pills. If, as seems likely, a few investors take the opportunity to voice their qualms over the pay deal, he will be smoothly unmoved.

he will be smoothly unmoved.
Standard Life, that active guardian of corporate governance, has made clear its suspicion that the targets SB is setting to trigger bonuses are not as de-

manding as they ought to be. But the first-quarter figures show the company well on course to deliver its promised 13 per cent increase in earnings, which will be enough to quell most investors' potential criocisms.

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Mr Leschly's pay package does, however, put other deals into perspective. It is evidence of a UK company handing our US-style remuneration. As Glaxo has tacitly noted, other British companies that class themselves as global players will have to move towards the SB levels, if not so far or so fast.

As we become conditioned to the new norms, a mere couple of million pounds for an HSBC banker will seem perfectly reasonable reward for a year's toil in the financial markets.

Standard Life's Guy Jubb is go-

Standard Life's Guy Jubb is going to find the attitude adjustment hard, but it has to come.

Colossus of erodes

TOMORROW Bernard Arnault's battle for Gucci lands back in the Dutch courts. M Arnault's acquisitions are rarely straightforward affairs. Gucci has tried to expedite matters by saying that an offer of \$88 a share would be acceptable, but that is far too simple a solution to appeal to the chairman of LVMH. He has spent several years trying to win control of another up-market label for his wine cellar. Yesterday he was able to declare victory. Never mind money, he had worn the opposition into

Debenhams in fashion with £79.4m

By Sarah Cunningham

TERRY GREEN, chief executive of Debenhams, said the department store group has been taking market share in women's and men's clothing from Marks & Spencer, its beleaguered high street rival.

But Mr Green gave warning of a likely fightback. "I imagine that Marks & Spencer must be making some recovery from its position pre-Christmas. You could say it is making it tougher, not easier," he said.

M&S was forced to issue a profit warning after terrible trading over the key Christmas period. Other clothing retailers have run into difficulties because of the downturn in spending and a large overhang of stock. Mr Green said yesterday: "It's a tough environment out there. It is still volatile, but we think it's improv-

In the six months to February 27, total sales rose 2 percent to £785.2 million. While like-for-like sales were down 1.9 per cent. costs also fell by a similar amount. Interim pretax profits rose 3 per cent to

£79.4 million: Earnings per share were up 2.2 per cent to 14.1p and the company is paying an interim dividend of 4.1p (3.90)

(3,9p).

The gross margin increased by 0.2 percentage points to an estimated 42.1 per cent in the first half. The company said margins were substantially up again in the first seven weeks of the second half. Like-for-like sales, said the company, are down by a similar amount to the first half in the period.

Four new stores were opened in the first half, at Leeds Briggate, Brighton, Hanley and the Trafford Centre in Manchester. There are now 90 stores in the UK. The new programme, announced at the time of Debenhams demerger from the Burton Group last year, will see it increase to more than 100 UK stores by 2003.

Franchise stores have been opened in Ruwah and Dabai, and another is set to open in Riyadh. Saudi Arabia, in October 2000.

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Cut-price A stores see sales surge I

By Fraser Nelson

TJ HUGHES, which runs 23 cut-price department stores across the UK, said it has lifted underlying sales by 11.6 per cent for the first ten weeks of 1999 as it wins market share from its mid-market rivals.

The company, whose wares include cheap Calvin Klein un-

include cheap Calvin Klein underwear, said many of its shoppers have deserted tradioonal high street leaders after finding them too expensive. Pre-tax profits jumped to

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Pre-tax profits jumped to £5.1 million (£3 million) for the year to January 31 and earnings were 13.9p (10.2p) a share.

A final dividend of 2.76p makes a 3.88p (3.37p) total.



Anglo in bid for Reunion

BY CARL MORTISHED

ANGLO AMERICAN Corporation, the South African mining and industrial conglomerate, is building up its position in zinc with a recommended £37 million bid for Reunion Mining, which controls Skorpion, a big zinc mining project in Namibia in which Anglo has a minority share.

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The bid is being made by Minorco. Anglo's affiliate, which is to be integrated fully into Anglo when the South African group moves its primary stock exchange listing to London next month.

Anglo yesterday said that current weakness in base metal prices provide a good opportunity to develop its base metals business. The acquisition of Reunion's 60 per cent interest in Skorpion would give Anglo 100 per cent of the mine, which has ore reserves of 19.5 million tonnes of zinc.

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Minorco is offering 88p per Reunion share and has undertakings to accept from Reunion directors and others that exceed 50 per cent of Reunion.

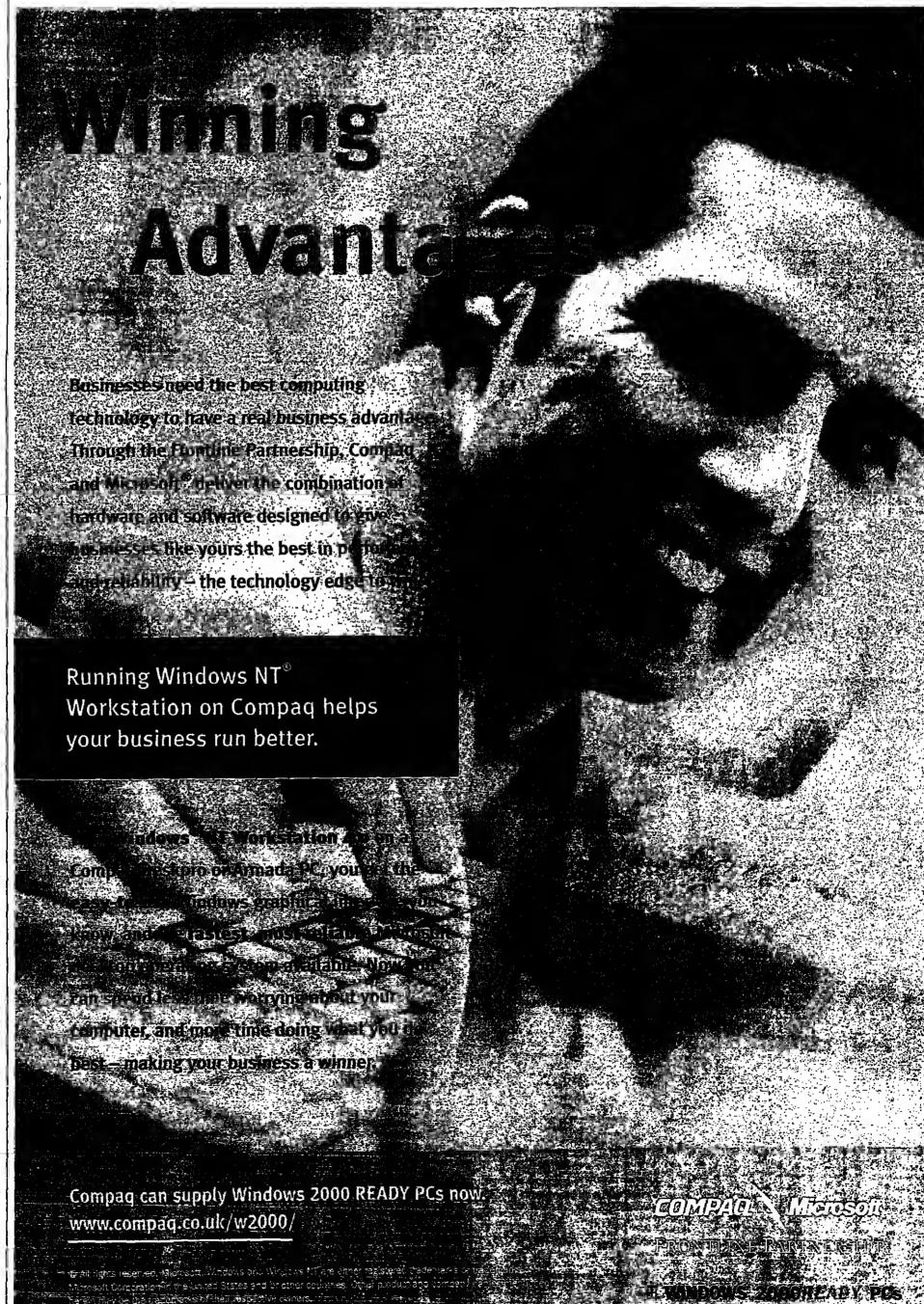
Audit office attacks sale by British Coal

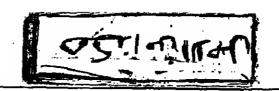
THE National Audit Office (NAO) will today tell Parliament that British Coal's sale of CIN Management (CINMan), a subsidiary that advised and managed its pension funds, was needlessly protracted and expensive (Saeed Shah writes). The watchdog says that dispensive that dispensive the Core

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The watchdog says that disagreement between the Government. British Coal, CINMan and trustees of the pension schemes meant that the sale, completed in 1996, took a

year longer than expected, raising its costs to £7.7 million. The management and staff of CINMan almost derailed the sale by threatening to resign. The original aim to sell CIN-

Man as one entity had to be dropped after objections from the trustees and it was eventually sold in three parts for £48.9 million. The NAO says that this was substantially less than some bidders had offered for the whole business.





im Lamb, the chief executive of the England & Wales - Cricket Board (ECB), is an optimist. Then again he has to be. If you were attempting the Herculean task of restoring English cricket to the fortunes it enjoyed when the likes of May, Hutton and Illingworth led teams that could triumph over all our former colonies — and all you have is a team that contrives to

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have to be positive. However, to trumpet that the English game will make a £30 million profit from the cricket World Cup, which starts next month, is a little over exuberant. It may look like a good figure, but it does not

lose to Zimbabwe - you would

bear close examination. For a start, the £30 million figure, which actually refers to the ECB's income not profit, is disappointing when compared with the target set by Lamb and the ECB's chairman, Lord MacLaurin of Knebworth. The ECB had hoped to clear something in the range of £35 million to £40 million to take advantage of an event that is un-

Lamb's scoring is wide of the mark

likely to be back on these shores for at least two decades.

The ECB's plan went like this. It would raise about £25 million from broadcasting revenues mainly television — and EIS million from sponsorship. That £40 million would be split between the ECB and the International Cricket Council - the overall ruling body

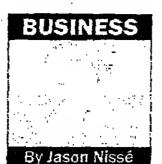
of cricket - on a 50-50 basis In addition, the ECB would also get money from gate receipts at the matches and from merchandising. The former was budgeted to bring in £11 million, the latter, with the hetp of Caprice, a US model famous for wearing Wonderbras, was expected to raise El million.

This would have left a gross in-come to the ECB of £32 million. The costs of staging the event - hiring venues, transporting teams to the UK and to the grounds and catering, though not the wages for

team members, which comes out of the ICC pool and from the local cricket boards - is estimated to be £18 million. This would have left a profit of about £14 million if all had gone to plan.

But it has not. The broadcast income has come in at about £23.5 million. The UK television revenue was fine - the ECB struck an £8 million deal with BSkyB, which allowed some matches to be shown on the BBC. However, an expected bonanza from selling the rights to the Indian sub-continent was not quite as lucrative as had been hoped for, leaving a £1.5 million

Sponsorship was also disap-pointing. The ECB has wanted eight global partners and four official suppliers, paying a total of £15 million for the pleasure. It secured only four global partners - Nat-West, Pepsi, Vodafone and Emir-



ates Airlines - but was able to sign six official suppliers. The total raised from sponsorship was £10.5

Michael Browning, the ECB's tournament organiser, blames a number of factors for why the sponsorship figure fell short. One is the Asian financial crisis. The ECB had hoped to sign at least one Japanese company as a global partner

— in the end it had to make do with Honda as a supplier. Secondly, it started too late. The ECB began its search for sponsors two years ago — Browning believes that this was 12 months tardy as cricket is not always at the top of people's sponsorship wishlist.

Thirdly, the ECB had planned to use "virtual sponsorship" - an electronic system in which logos show up on television screens in some countries rather than others. This would be used to sell a sponsorship deal probably to Wills, the cigarette-maker, which operates mainly in India and Pakistan. However, after a couple of technical tests, the plan was dropped.

The ECB is putting a brave face on this £4.5 million shortfall, and sponsorship experts think that the problem was not that the ECB did poorly attracting sponsors, but

is the real key.

services-led economy has proved painful and London

still suffers from higher than

average unemployment. But

after years of losing popula-

tion, the capital is enjoying an

influx of fresh immigrants at-

tracted by good job prospects

and strong cultural and lei-

sure services. There are signs

that cities such as Leeds, Man-

chester, Glasgow and Bristol are beginning to foster similar

conditions. It is in this subtle

process, rather than the quick-

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icy, where the future of the re-

Nigel Currie of Craigie Taylor. which advises Vodafone on sponsorship, says that the ECB probably thought that as there was no football World Cup or Olympics this year, it would be able 10 capitalise on the absence of a big sporting event to win sponsorship. However, it forgot that the rugby union World Cup takes place in the UK this autumn and probably lost a

sponsor or two because of this.

The rugby factor has also hindered attemps by some of the teams to secure sponsors. As I write there is no news on a West Indies backer and if you fancy spon-sorsing the first Scottish team in the cricket World Cup. Gavin Hastings, the former Scottish rugby captain, awaits your call.

The big shame is that the ECB has not signed up a hig consumer brand - like Snickers or McDonald's - which would help to pro-

more the event through its own promotions," says Mr Currie, Vodasone is doing this to a certain extent and Pepsi might be expected to do something, but it seems most of its promotions are aimed at India and Pakistan, where it is in a

bitter battle with Coke. The final part of the jigsaw is ticket sales. Browning is confident about hitting the £11 million target, having already sold £9 million worth of tickets a month before the

event even starts. All in all this adds up to a gross income for the ECB of E29 million and a profit of about Ell million a tidy sum but not quite Mr Lamb's £30 million. Of course, the World Cup has meant that there will be two test matches fewer this year than last, a loss of about £5 million in potential profits. So the ECB will end up about £6 million better off than it would have been if it had not staged the World Cup. As they say at Tesco, Lord MacLaurin's old stomping ground, "every little helps".

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North-South divide masks reality of divergent economies

Alasdair Murray examines the increasing

clamour for a regional

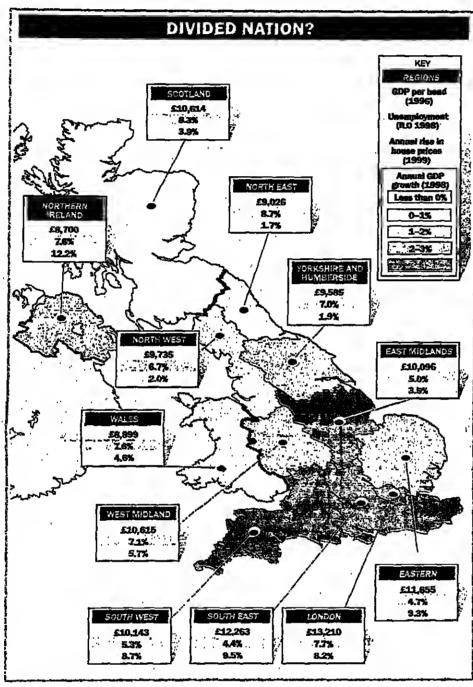
approach

Eddie George inadvertently suggested that unemployment in the North was a "price worth paying" for keeping inflation in check, he appeared to confirm the region's worst prejudices about the southern bias inherent in Threadneedle Street. A string of indignant manufacturers, union leaders and politicians queued up to berate the Governor of the Bank of England for suggesting that national economic policy was dictated by the excesses of the housing market in the South East. The understandable suspicion was that centralising economic policymaking in London inevitably leads to guiffering in the regions.

The regional dimension to economic policymaking is set to become a staple of political debate with the creation of the Regional Development Agennent arrival of the Scottish and Welsh parliaments. For the first time in years, the Bank and the Treasury are facing concerted opposition to nation-

al economic policy. Superficially, the traditional prejudices about the North-South divide seem well grounded. The two worst-performing regional economies, Scotland and the North East, suffer the typical unholy eco-gmic trinity of a large manu-naturing sector, high unem-ployment and low GDP per capita. In London, the South East and South West, this position is reversed, with these regions posting the strongest growth rates last year and increasing their economic lead

over the rest of the country. Yet, a closer examination of the data suggests that this regional divergence is not quite so straightforward. Scotland's underperformance - and Business Strategies is predicting it will remain mired in recession this year - is out of proportion



to the size of its manufacturing sector. Scotland's manufacturing sector constitutes 23 per cent of its economy - far higher than London's 9 per cent but below the level of manufacturing in six other regions which have all performed better. Scotland seems to be suffering because of the mix in its manufacturing - a high pro-portion of textiles and computing hardware - which has had an unexpectedly negative impact on its service sector. The North East has a typical-

ly large manufacturing sector acting as an overall drag on its economy, but it also recorded the country's highest financial and business services sector growth rate at 12.7 per cent last year. The East Midlands, however, seems to have overcome the handicap of a large manu-facturing sector — about 28 per cent of the economy - to record a healthy 3.2 per cent growth rate last year. The region has a large concentration of engineers — such as Rolls-Royce in Derby — which

seemed to have fared better during the manufacturing downturn, while cities such as Nottingham and Northampton have profited from London services overspill.

Another traditional manu-facturing centre, Yorkshire and Humberside, also recorded a solid growth rate of 2.6 per cent last year. Its overall performance, however, concealed a marked divergence between the increasingly services-oriented Leeds area and York's successful pursuit of

high-tech start-ups compared with the still depressed re-gions of South Yorkshire.

The unspoken assumption, however, remains that the manufacturing north needs to be freed from the straitjacket of southern rates. Scotland, in particular, has a strong case for arguing that it has a European-style economy, including at 55 per cent the lowest level of home ownership in Britain, which needs the lower rates of the single currency area.

Yet the complex reality of the regional economies suggests finding an "ideal" regional interest rate is likely to prove no less difficult than setting a single national rate. Nor is it clear that the difference in regional inflation rates justify different rates. While house price increases, which range from 1.7 per cent last year in the North East to 12.2 per cent in post-treaty Northern Ireland, seem to support the case, estimates of the divergence in inflation rates are far less stark. Business Strategies suggests headline inflation last year was in a relatively tight range between 2.2 per cent in Scotland and 3.5 per cent in the eastern region - hardly a simple boom and bust divide.

Nor is it certain that lower rates will prove the necessary cure. As the British Chambers of Commerce noted last week, ers is not the cost of borrowing but the pound, which remains stubbornly high despite the

Bank's rate-cutting spree.

More fundamentally, it is questionable whether shortterm monetary policies can re-verse the long-term trends within the economy. An examination of the demographic trends suggests there is a close relationship between population growth, low manufacturing output and high economic growth. This is the legacy of the last time the South outperformed the rest of the country heavily, during the 1980s boom. Higher growth rates and better job prospects inevitably attracted workers, especially the mobile young, to move south. These migrants have now settled and had families, boosting population growth and ensuring a healthy young/old mix that suits the service sector. This in turn boosts growth and the circle begins over again.

Reversing this trend is akin to trying to turn a supertanker.

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tion. He now hopes to sell it to

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£25,000. It is the only known

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church is St Martin's, which

survives to this day and will

take pride of place in the new

Regions suffer from statistical breakdown Regional assistance plans,

such as the trend of competing for call centre jobs, can allevihere is still a significant stumbling block to ate some of the pain, but they do not provide the kind of criticonducting a considered debate about Britain's cal mass necessary to improve regional economies - the the long-term growth rate. Atabsence of comprehensive tracting and keeping high earnand reliable statistics. This ers - who are now heavily concountry's centralising tendencies seem to include the centrated in the services sector Office for National Statistics. In this sense, the experience of London provides hope. It is meaning that while a mass of national economic statistics often forgotten that only two are produced on a monthly decades ago, London was still hasis, there is rarely an the country's prime manufac-turing city. The transition to a

accompanying regional hreakdown. Only the unemployment data is supplied on a regional basis month by month. This data is sufficiently detailed that unemployment can even be measured by parliamentary constituency, ensuring that MPs can keep abreast of the job prospects of their constituents. By contrast, the most recent breakdown of GDP figures dates from 1996. while the regional home-ownership figures are positively prehistoric, hailing from the last great housing downturn in 1993.

STILL HEADING SOUTH LARGEST POPULATION GROWTH Manufacturing as proportion of total Population Increase/ decrease 1993 to 1998 reg South East 210,000 196,000 London 163,000 21% Eastern LOWEST POPULATION GROWTH 12.000 North West 23% **North East** -13,000

One other vital part of the jigsaw — the inflation data — is missing altogether, unlike in other European countries. such as Germany, where state by state inflation data provides an essential part of the overall economic picture. The UK inflation rate was fully "nationalised" in the days when the Government was desperate to encourage wage bargaining at a national level. While this necessity has long since disappeared, there has been no attempt to reincorporate a regional element, the ONS insisting its sample sizes are too small for a reliable regional breakdown, while the Treasury and the Bank of England are focused on a single inflation target.

organisations have moved to try to fill the gap. Both Halifax and Nationwide supply monthly house price data, although they use a slightly different regional breakdown to the Government's standard divisions. Business Strategies produces more timely and reliable estimates of regional GDP performance. The economics group even has a stab at local inflation rates, although it admits its own figures — derived from real prices - can be no more than a best estimate.

Individual private

An increasingly devolved nation requires improved regional data. But just who is going to meet the considerable extra costs of providing reliable statistics will prove an interesting battle of wills between the regions and the centre.

Sea sick

JOHN PRESCOTT is being sued by a former employer for £7.4 million. Not personally, unfortunately, but as Secretary of State for the Environment.

According to the trade publication Contract Journal, a writ from P&O Property Holdings alleges that the Department of the Environment, as it used to be, failed to maintain Elizabeth House. Trial is set for December.

This is an office block at Lonn's Waterloo occupied by the DoE from 1971 to 1997 that



Ignore it - our computer must be on the blink"

P&O alleges was left in such a state that the company had to spend £3.4 million putting it right and lost another £4 million in rent and other costs.

Prescott was employed by P&O as a steward on the North Sea run. The DoE is contesting the action. You leave these civil servants unsupervised with a few cans of lager for 16 years and there's no knowing what they il do ...

MY THANKS to the reader who sent in his invitation to a trade fair in Brno, flagged as "the foremost event in the industry in the Czech and Slovak Republics, and dominant in the surrounding region of Central and Eastern Asia". Or possibly not.

Dive bomb

A TRICKY problem for Sun-derland Football Club. The team is sponsored by Swallow. formerly known as Vaux, and across the strip is the word "Lamptons", to promote the company's "smooth brew" ale. This is made locally at Vaux Brewery in Sunderland.



Unfortunately the brewery is being closed, a decision that has caused much anguish locally and thrown a large number of Sunderland supporters out of work. .

The image merchants were sent off to find another logo for the team. The favourite is a swallow, predictably enough. But someone has pointed out that swallows dive - plus this is exactly what the club, newly promoted to the Premier League, did straight back into the first division the last time it reached such heights.

AN EXTRAORDINARY circular reaches me from one of those anti-European groupuscles breeding like flies in out-

of-the-way places. The Enemy Within details all those organnever seen it before. My picture shows how the developisations suspected of pro-EU tendencies that should be boyment would have looked but for the subsequent attentions of the Luftwaffe and the 1950s school of architecture. It was found by Peter Bennett, a London antiques deal-

It must be quite an achievement, knowingly steering clear of the products and services of, among others, BP, BT, Unilev-er, Unigate, Northern Foods and pretty well all of the British drinks industry. But British Aerospace? "Dif-

ficult to boycott, but bombard with mail, their chief executive treats the British electoral process with contempt. Indeed; it must be a wrench, sending those Hawk trainers back on a point of principle.

Bull market

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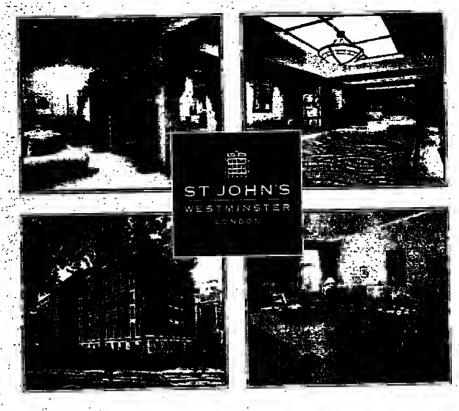
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f you are serious about playing the property market and making money, it may not be enough just to speculate on your own property: why not buy'a second house or flat, too?

"Buy-to-let" investments have boomed as the volatility of world stock markets in recent months has led many to search for investments that offer better returns. Here are the numbers, simply put. Such investments offer the chance of an annual rental income of more than 7 per cent, and a 5 per cent annual rise in the value of the property. Such returns beat most of the best investments in shares.

Of course, the detailed figures are more complicated and reflect all the hidden extras of buying a property. Experts say that the Association of Residential Agents (Arla) and the banks that offer buy-to-let mortgages are not warning investors about the costs of letting prop-erty. Nick Jopling, from Allsop & Co. says: "There should be a health warning on buy-to-let mortgages to make investors aware of issues such as voids (empty homes), management fees, maintenance costs and insurance. All this adds up to about 25 per cent of the investor's gross yield." (See box on costs.)

Gross yields vary from 8 to 10 per cent, depending on the location and type of property. Net returns are 5 to 7 per cent, enough to fund an interest-only mortgage of up to 80 per cent of the value of the property because interest rates are so low. Rates as low as 5.5 per cent are now available, a far cry from 8.5 per cent just a year ago, and banks and building societies are clamouring to lend on such properties.

In less than three years, banks and building societies have lent more than £1.7 billion through buy-



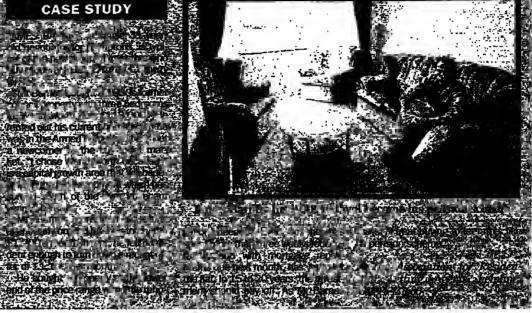
Buy-to-let: James Barnes outside the three-bedroom, former council home he bought to let in Wandsworth, southwest London

to-let schemes. Only last week, the Halifax Building Society launched a scheme through its specialist mortgage lender HMSL. So, too,

did Paragon Mortgages.
George Humphries runs the buy-to-let department of Hamptons International. "The total returns from buy-to-let are between 9 and 11 per cent, significantly higher than alternative investments. Housing seems a sensible option, and not just because of falling interest rates. The ratio between house prices and earnings now stands at about 3.3 per cent - in other words, the price of a house is roughly three times the annual salary. This should produce a sustainable relationship between house prices and average annual earnings."

Of course, such investments must be made with caution. As Mal-colm Harrison, from Arla, says: Buyers must be prudent in their choice of area and property. Don't base preference on personal taste, and it is important to contact a letting agent to discover if the area has a healthy letting market and what kind of properties are in demand."

The London Housing Federation estimates that 100,000 new homes are needed within London, which is good news if you have bought a home to let out. A shortage of afford-



able properties must eventually push prices and rental values up. The problem here is that agents have reported an oversupply of properties at the top end of the rentmarket in Central London but not enough in other parts of the city. Investors need to find those ar-

eas where there are shortages of rental property. Andrew Reeves, a letting agent, says that the London suburbs are a better bet for buy-tolet, or even further out to places such as Bromley and Beckenham, which have good communications with the West End and the City.

High returns depend on a buoy-ant lettings market, which itself is threatened if too many jump on the buy-to-let bandwagon. And ulti-mately, the ease of obtaining buying-to-let mortgages, may saturate the market and force letting values down. Grab your moment

Who pays the price of an empty property

eople living near Britain's 750,000 empty homes are plagued by atson, vandalism, theft and drug abuse. The National Week of Action, organ-ised by The Empty Homes Agen-cy, started on Monday with publication of a survey which highlighted their distress.

These properties can also seriously reduce the value of the homes around them. The Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors says 10 per cent of the value of a house can be lost. Ashley Horsley, chief executive of the agency, says.
"Empty homes are the real neigh." bours from hell. In the North of England the numbers constitute a ghost town of the size of Sheffield. London's is the same size as the entire bousing stock of Haringey.

"Al! but two of the 42 councils we

surveyed have received regular complaints about the problems of empty homes. Crime apart, there are environmental and health and safety problems, among them vermin. fly-tipping and dangerous structures. Empty homes can also-be a death trap for children."

This week the agency will high-light the good use to which some of.

the organisations and individuals have put these houses, including examples from Bury, Leeds. Manchester and Seiton.

or rent they can be a valuable source of income to their owners. and they can provide an alterna-tive to B&B accommodation for the homeless. Putting them to use

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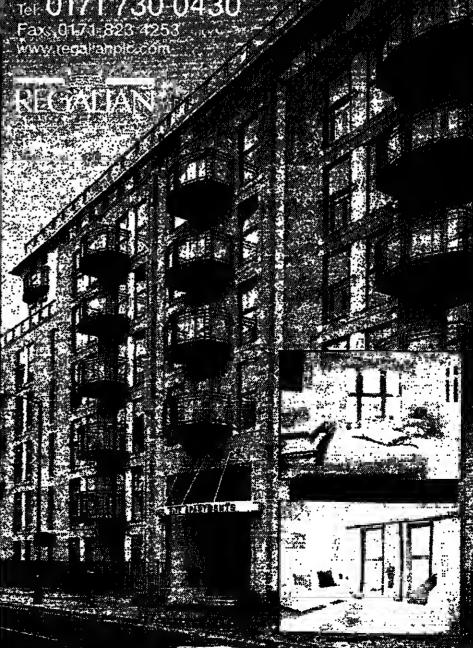
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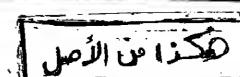
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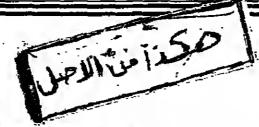
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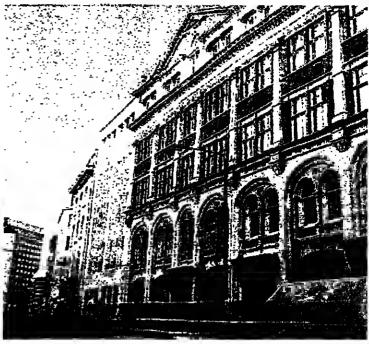
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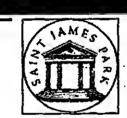
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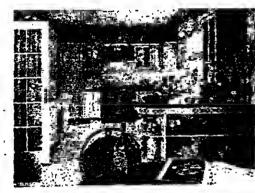
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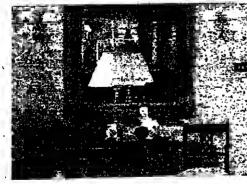
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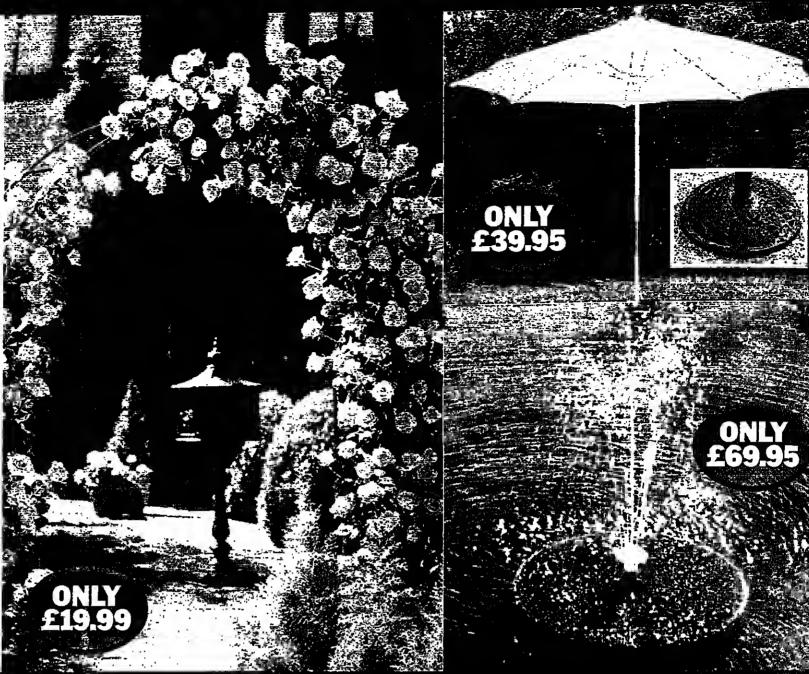
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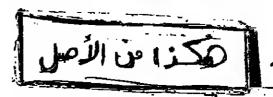
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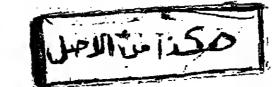
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VISUAL ART: A Cumbrian barn was the unlikely setting for Kurt Schwitters' final creation. Richard Cork reports

Pioneer's last wall and testament

artially paralysed af-ter two strokes, Kuri Schwitters was in no condition to embark on a big project in 1947. A lung hage warned him in July that his body should not be over-taxed. But the 60-year-old exile refused to give up.

With heroic obstinacy he started to transform the interior of a stone-walled barn in the Lake District. Sleeping most of each day in order 10 gain strength for a three-hour bout of intensive work, he stubbornly declared that the barn would become "the largest

sculpture I have ever built".

Schwitters' tenacity may have been reinforced by the urge to compensate for the fate of his two previous buildingsized works. The earliest. spreading through the rooms of a house in his native Hanover, had preoccupied him for 14 years during the interwar period. He called it the Merzbau, and surviving photographs suggest that its proliferting chambers were indeed his masterpiece. But the house was obliterated in a 1943 air raid, and Schwitters was further mortified by his inability to complete a second Merzbau in a studio in Norway. He had moved there in 1937, after the Nazis branded him as a "degenerate" artist and removed his work from museums. But the invasion of Norway in 1940 forced him to escape to

England, leaving unfinished Merzbau which children accidentally destroyed when

Schwitters found feverishly life arduous in wartime London. He Schwitters: settled there after a 17-month internment, mostly at a worked at camp on the Isle of Man. A few Eng-lish artists and critthe barn ?

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recall how

stature as a European master of collage and a restless pioneer of multi-media experimentation. But when he moved to Ambleside in 1945 the ailing artist could easily have despaired of ever working on a grand scale again.
With admirable resilience.

however, he refused to give up. Schwitters was used to deploying the humblest of scavenged materials, and even the most rudimentary building could ignite his imagination. So when he befriended the landscape architect Harry Pierce, who lived in the nearby village of Elterwater. Schwitters became excited by the prospect of renting a barn on erce's land. A well-timed \$1,000 award from the Museum of Modern Art in New York enabled him to pay the annual rent of £52, and he started a construction on the

ham's end wall. Schwitters saw it as a threeyear commitment to turn the whole interior into a cave-like work "better and more logical than anything I have ever done before". Within a few months, though, he became desperately weak. Travelling from Ambleside each day to labour in the winter chill of the barn, where water soon began

to stream across the floor, de-feated him. Delirious and desntute, he died in January 1948. The Merzbarn, as Schwit-

iers called it, remained unfin-ished and grew increasingly vulnerable to damp and de-cay. By 1963 a drastic decision was arrived at: in order to preserve the construction on the end wall, it would be removed from the barn. Schwitters would have been horrified by the idea. He had conceived the wall as part of an elaborate environment. The barn, in turn, inhabited a Great Langdale valley that had undoubtedly nourished him as he built up the organic forms on the relief.

But nobody seemed capable of protecting it, and none of the institutions approached by Pierce would take responsibility. Even the Tate declined to purchase it. The apathy seemed to bear out Schwitters' suspicion that "English people don't understand art at all".

Only Newcastle University. armed with some money for a sculpture commission, took advantage of the opportunity Acting on the advice of Richard Hamilton, then a lecturer at Newcastle, it undertook the hazardous and costly task of moving the relief to the university's Hatton Gallery in 1965. The relief's safety was assured, and it has been preserved there ever since. But what meaning could this isolated wall have,

show some of Schwitters' other work. work in a Cubo-Expressionist idiom to later examples of his deft, inventive ability to use everyday detritus. The principal emphasis, though, rests on his 1940s work. He painted a lot in those difficult years, executing some naturalistic portraits often dismissed as potboilers. They are, in truth, sincere attempts to achieve a like-

But even the most affectionate portraits of his lover Edith Thomas seem tame compared with the vigour of his landscapes. Schwitters allies himself here with a German tradition extending back to Lovis Corinth's impulsive views of the Walchensee 20 years before. Despite limitations, Schwitters' landscapes convey

our understanding of the far barn. As he grew older, Schwitters' link with city life evaporated. The interior of his Hanover house, the so-called Cathedral of Erooc Misery, had been filled with bristling, anx-

wrenched from the Lakeland context that brought it into being? For many years the Hatton made scant effort to display this extraordinary frag-ment sensitively. Only now has a special exhibition been mounted in collaboration with the new Baltic Centre

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Art, to celebrate the

The show ranges from early

the ardent energy of his re-

sponse to the natural world. In this respect, they enhance more mysterious and original work carried out in the Merz-



Off the wall: Kurt Schwitters' barn relief, now safely preserved in Newcastle's Hatton Gallery, but sadly divorced from the Lakeside landscape that nurtured the artist's imagination

turmoil of urban life. It could hardly be further removed from the gently swelling and meandering forms explored in his Merzbarn relief.

Schwitters treated it as a resting-place for the weathered material he gathered from allotments, hedgerows and riverbeds. He admired Pierce's ability to nurture rare trees and shrubs on the estate surrounding the barn. "Pierce is a genius," Schwitters claimed, explaining that "he lets the weeds grow, yet by slight touches he transforms them into a composition as I create art out of rubbish".

oon, when looking at the Merzbarn fragment, that the relief grows out of the wall. Although Schwitters was forced to abandon it, enough was achieved here to let us imagine how he might have elaborated the rest. Appreciating that time was running out, he must have decided to focus on the wall and hope that viewers would grasp his intentions

elsewhere in the room. Eyewitnesses recall how feverishly he worked, disregarding the cold, struggling on aiter dark by candlelight. Enough of the dry-stone wall remains visible to suggest that Schwitters respected its flinty presence, even as he covered its surface with a plaster skin. it became the seed-bed where a disparate array of found objects were planted.

Some are so buried that they

bulging or thrusting outwards like natural outcrops of the land itself. Within the niches though, other deposits are easy to identify. Some brown string, caked with paint, is curled up in one hollow like a serpent. Another is crammed with a mottled pebble, a pale lump of stone, a splinter of wood and the rusted sprinkler

from a child's watering-can. They look like offerings. part of some ancient ritual. The feeling that Schwitters aimed at honouring the fertility of nature is strengthened by accounts that he wanted to place, in the "window" of an internal wall, a plastic sculpture called Chicken and Egg. He also intended daylight to penetrate the cavernous chamber through a specially constructed aperture in the roof.

Any further attempt to analyse the Merzbarn is thwarted by the disastrous separation of the wall from its setting. How-ever welcome the Hatton's show may be, it cannot in the end persuade me that the re-

lief should stay there.

The rest of the barn still stands in its original location. and when I visited it in 1987 Schwitters' overall intendons there became easier to understand. He wrote excitedly that the Merzbarn "will stand close to nature, in the midst of a natural park". Until the relief is returned to its rightful site, the full extent of his valedictory struggle at Elterwater will remain tragically betrayed. ● Schwitters' Merzharn is at the Hatton Gallery, Newcastle Univer-sity (0191-222 6059) until May 22

THE nun on the logo flicks a porno-star's wink, luring you into one of Bow's latest galleries: a medieval convent converted to artistic ends. Inside the symbolism is similarly conflicting. Rachel Chapman spreads an array of Petri dishes in a patchwork pattern across the floor. But her work

does not offer the enfolding comfort of a quilt. Rather, amid a musty smell, she nur-tures bacteria cultures like weird pets. Slowly, in an array of tantalising colours, they move towards their death. In another room, Tom Merry creates a sculptural world stalked by the sort of monsters that children conjure up in the half-light of dreams. But Torie Begg has an altogether sharper intellectual aes-

thetic. An archive of a thou-sand bricks is gridded like li-brary books along a wall, their surfaces lustred so beautifully you almost want to lick. The dark surfaces of the bricks are built up, glaze upon painstaking glaze, until they gleam with a uniformity which betrays individuality of intent. But the primary colours which dribble down the sides set off the darkness against a chromatic score, the deliberation against the freedom of the dribble. Perhaps it is time the Tate invested in a new set of bricks to test the boundaries of visi-

tors' tastes. 183 Bow Rd, London E3 (0181-983 9737), open Fridays 10 Sundays until May 16

AROUND THE LONDON GALLERIES

D'TM FOR an art that explores the mystery and ro-mance of existence," declares Richard Cartwright. He is one of those outsiders who have been left stranded by the he exults in such solitude, in the pain and the poignancy which it can convey. The single small figure becomes the still point of his turning world: the solitary sail of the tiny fish-ing boat, the single sheep grazing the darkened pasture, the lonesome man on the mountain road.

There is something quintessentially touching about these pastel paintings. Their Roman-Oc spirit is not defined simply by such cliches as the burning

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sunset. There is a wistfulness from which it is hard to turn John Martin, 38 Albemarle St. W1 (0171-499 1314), until

Tr seems a pity to try to explain the systems which construct Keith Tyson's world. Part scientific, part artistic, part mechanistic, part organic, he creates a perplexing artis-oc realm among which visitors grope their way, bewildered. The imagination runs riot. And yet the works are the

product not of tangendal creative processes, but of the technical instructions of an "Artmachine". Tyson is evasive about the nature of this object

but apparently, when he wants to work, he dials in to gather data about what to do, then obeys proposals to the letter. Every piece of sculpture in this show - from a hallucinatory frieze of straw to a polythene wrapped doll, from a sculpture of spilt coffee beans to a plaster highrise block obcys a system, follows a plan. It is fascinating to follow the trajectories, to search for sense, to manoeuvre one's way among co-ordinates of space and time.

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ious references to the psychic History lessons in finest plastic

Sculptor Kenny Hunter casts the famous in a new light, Andrew Gibbon Williams writes

onica Lewinsky was bound to surface in an art gallery. But who could have imagined her as a bookend, reamed with the terrorist Osama bin Laden? Such is her artistic fate at the hands of the sculptor Kenny Hunter. Cast in cream plastic. bizarre against the backdrop of Edinburgh's neo-gothic Portrain Gallery. Lewinsky has achieved the immortali-

ty of the museum. Andy Warhol, of course, would have been Lewinsky's ideal portraitist. Warhol would have transformed her into a fluorescent icon, the latest addition to his pantheon of the glitzy and not-so-good. But in terms of her integrity as an artist's subject. Lewinsky is betier off with Hunter. He is not an artist who simply trades on celebrity: image is manipulated to more profound effect. Serving as his inspiration is that vast legacy of municipal monuments which

duners up our big cities. Hunter's naove Edinburgh provides a rich library of posturing 19th-century stalwarts. mostly created by Sir John Steell. The best is his Wellington ("Iron Duke, in bronze, by Steell," as the local quip had it), which emanates in spades the haughty, official arrogance at which Hunter emits a loud raspberry. But Glasgow, where Hunter attend-

ed art school, is richer in Victorian politicians, and it must have been statues like the fine Gladstone on George Square that fired the sculptor's magnificent sense of irony. In New York 23/10/95, Hunter undermines the status of that contemporary "liberal", Bill Clinton, with piercing acuity. Caught in a conspiratorial moment of chuckling bonhomie with Boris Yeltzin, the President is a tomato-red vision of casual corruption mounted, literally, on a



Kenny Hunter's castings of Osama bin Laden and Monica Lewinsky as bookends would make an unusual and, at the same time, useful gift

is not always so explicit. Military Figure, a direct quote from the 1950s Commando Memorial in the Scottish Highlands, is an outsize Action Man, anonymous in balaclava, robbed of humanity by the dun-green plastic in which he is cast. He is as heroic as Barbie, as scary as My Little Pony.

Technically, these sculptures are more impressive than they at first appear, Plastic still means cheap and nasty, and the resemblance of the sculptures to toys out of a giant cornflake packet suggests mass production. But this is misleading. These works are modelled in clay, cast in plastic,

But Hunter's Post-Modern crioque worked over by hand in a manner as ancient as Praxiteles. They are Canovasmooth to guarantee purity of image and clarity of meaning. Evidence of personal expression is suppressed.

Paradoxically, though, Hunter is eager to express his aims in words. Fond of quoting the Czech-born writer Milan Kundera — "How sweet it would be to forget history" - he is fascinated by the symbiotic relationship between his art and its evolving historical context. As he puts it, "Each work appears as an open question, a homage to doubt."

· Kenny Hunter at the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, Edinburgh (0131-624 6200) THE SEA TIMES

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GREEK MYTHS: Continuing this minuseries focusing on Classical mythology Richard Hickox conducts the City of London Sintonia in Richard Strauss's Metamorphosen and Morgen set alongside Haydn's Arianne a News and Besthoven's Eroica Symphony Barbican (0171-638 8991). Tonight.



Soprano Judith Howarth is soloist with the RLPO

EAT THE ENEMY: Ken McClymont directs a new Chris Lee piay, described as a Grounding Day on speed, where three dirers must live through the same meal four times. Previews tonight, 8pm. Opens tomorrow, 7pm.

ELSEWHERE

BASINGSTOKE: The first of the London Mozart Players' two concerts here tonight under Matthias Barnert (7.45pm) aims to show how Beroque music has influenced the 20th century. On offer are preces by Purcel, Villa-Lobos, Mozart, Bach, Stravinety and Nyman. For the second concert Lobos, Interest of the second concert (9.45pm) sopreno Christine Carns joins the players in a world premiere by fan Wilson, proceeded by pieces by Britten and Alen Rawsthome.

Anvit (01256 844244).

EDINBURGH: Start of the Scottish tou of Coma, a haunting work on dream states by Phelim McCermott and Lee Simpson's improbable Theatre. Traverse (0131-228 1404). Tonight-Sun, 8pm. (2)

LIVERPOOL: The Royal Liverpool
Philharmonic Orchestra celebrate
the 60th birthday of John McCabe
with a concert featuring two of the Menayaida-born composer's best known works: Notturni ed Alba his setting of medieval texts for soprano and orchestra, and the Concerto for Orchestra. With Juckith Howerth as soloist. Adrian Leeper conducts. Philiharmonic Hall (0151-709 3789). Tonight, 7:30pm. (§)

Tonight, 7.30pm by STRATFORD-UPON-AVON: Ray Fee-ron, Zoe Waltes and Richard McCabe play the leads in Michael Atten-tions with a modulation of Othelia.

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SUDDENLY LAST SUMMER; Shelp Geh plays the venomous mother and Rachel Welsz, the traumetised wife in temous Tennessee Williams shocker, Sean Methies directs, Comedy Theatre (0171-369 1731).

MAKING NOISE QUIETLY: Domi

☐ HAMILET: Paul Rhys plays the prince in Laurence Boswell's produc-tion, With Donald Sumter as Claudius. mg Vic (0171-028 6363). ☐ THE GIN GAME: Denothy Tutin and Joss Acidand play old folk in a retirement home whose card-playin styles echo their said lives. Savoy (0171-836 8888).

☐ HUSHABYE SKOUNTAIN: Jonather Harvey's bittensweet comedy about a relationship broken by Aids. Some soenes set in Heaven, where Judy Garland welcomes the dead partner. sed (0171-722 9301). (5)

THE DISPUTE: Superb production by Neil Bertiett of his translation of Markets, where four imprisoned adolescents meet the world and each other for the first time.

Lynic, W6 (0181-741 2311), [5]

THE GARDEN OF HABUSTAN Besht Tellers performs Rebecca Wolman's play, Ancestral ghosts try to explain today's disputes between Palestmen and Israell, Tricycle (0171-328 1000). (3)

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James Christopher's choice of the latest movies

NEW RELEASES AN IDEAL HUSBAND (PG): Oliver

HAPPINESS (18): Posonous but gripping black comedy about dismal urben attempts to find heppiness. RETURN TO PARADISE (15):

Joseph Ruben's crisia of correctence film is only a littul suspense about two American buddies who lace years in a Malaysian prison if they return to help their condemned buddy. With Vince Vaughn and Anne Hechs.

PROMETHEUS (15): Tony Harrison's PHOWELTHERS (19): Fony Hamson, dense film-poem is a work of surreal genus and endless layers. Michael Feast is competing as Zeur is luxiley who looks at what we have achieved and destroyed with his stolen line.

ACTRESSES (15): Three famous Catalonian stage actresses stir up old jealousies. Too stagey, too self-conscious, with the dramatic impetus of a stug. A static self-indulgent prace by Ventue Report

CURRENT

A CIVIL ACTION (15): Meety court-room drama with John Travolta and Robert Duvall in sparkling form as two sharks in a multi-million dollar BEDROOMS & HALLWAYS (15):

Playful romantic comedy about main bonding with Simon Callow spierclidly Svengali. Rose Troche directs. THE FACULTY (15): Fishy eci-fi chiller

ih comedy quota from Kavin son, the scribe behind Screem A faculty of echoolteechers get taken over by alien squide from outer space. Oirector Flobert Flodriguez

SLAM (15): Saul Williams puts in a sensational performance as a black rap poet caught up in the Washington prison system. A gritly documentary-style film by Marc Levin.

HIGH ART [18]: Ally Sheedy and Radha Mitchell agreed lesbian gloom and doom in an upmarket photographic magazine. Drugs, decadence and Passionder fail to illuminate Lisa Cholodenko's



Peter Hanly, John Lloyd Fillingham and Eleanor Bron in Oxford Stage Company's timely revival of Robert Holman's Making Noise Quietly

Collaterally damaged

Whitehall after seeing Robert Holman's Making Noise Quietly, I passed Serb demonstrators blowing whistles and waving flags out-side the Defence Ministry, and it struck me how weirdly opportune this revival is. When the Oxford Stage Company decided to launch a London season with a long-forgotten trilogy about the side-effects of war, it could hardly have foreseen that British bombs would be exploding in the Balkans on the day of its opening. Yet off they go — and who can say how odd and intricate their ultimate impact will be?

Drop a big. heavy object into a pond, and tiny ripples end up in unpredictable places. In Holman's view, it is the same with war. In Being Friends, which occurs in 1944. a conscientious objector decides to join the army, not because doodlebugs are landing near by but because he cannot forget seeing a badly tortured German die in a military hospital. In Lost a Yorkshire mother hears that the naval officer son who had rejected her has been killed in the Falklands. And, in the otle-play, a German-Jewish businesswoman. once the victim of concentration camp sadism, warily befriends a veteran of the South Atlande, an angry, bitter English private with his deeply dis-

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ways been unemphatic, unpretentious, yet resonant. From German Skerries in 1977 through The Estuary in 1980 to Making Noise Quietly in 1986. they have confounded mathematical logic by persuading you that less is more. Hitherto Holman has found his home on the fringe, never in the West End; so it is a surprise and, for me, a joy to find so representative a trio ensconced beneath Nelson's Column and, in Deborah Bruce's sensitive production, implicitly reproaching that triumphal edi-

tween the plays. All their characters have been touched and

od piece into a right old knees-up.

is actually supposed to be in Soho. Never mind: good, bokey fun, rather

Mailanie + Louis Valley (Louis Pari in some sense transformed by

There are obvious links be-

ionel Bart was working with the Queen's Theatre on its revival of his 1959 musical comedy when he died earlier this mooth. No doubt be would have enjoyed seeing its spirited production, which certainly does its damndest to turn his rather ragged peri-

Period it definitely is - dated, more like. This is a world in which bent comedy coppers are forever in pursuit of shifty old lags and tarts with hearts. The slim plot concerns small-time gangster Fred's attempt to turn his down-at-heel bar from a hang-out for bookers, hoodlums and has beens into a sleek Sixties-style joint.

Quite rightly, the production team has gone to town on all this anachronistic excess. The foyer has been tricked out as a street scene, complete with pie-and-mash stalls. It all seems a bit confused: the play takes place in the Fifties, the centre-piece of the fover is a VJ-Day celebration, and despite the very East End set, the setting

violence and suffering. All would seem to communicate more deeply with strangers than with those who know them better. But I must admit that reacquaintance with the trilogy leaves me most enthusiastic about its first two-thirds. Being Friends is finely played

and finally his body: and Lost boasts a marvellously unsentimental, moving performance from Eleanor Bron as a wornan beneath whose defensive respectability and plodding clichés there's grief, bewilderment and fury at the dead son she must try to think of as a

Return to

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than anything so po-faced as authentici-

ty, is what is needed here, and all this

flummery makes for a festive atmos-

phere. So too does the curtain-raiser, in

which a chorus enters doing the hokey-

cokey and makes a great ruckus in the midst of the audience. The multitalented

cast, who are also the band, likewise

Their performances are rooted in pan-

chase each other around the seats.

young artist cheerfully un-

ashamed of his homosexuali-

ty, the other a Quaker who sur-

prises himself by baring his

sexual secrets, his conscience

Like many of his plays. Lost is set in Holman's native Teesside, which may be why it seems psychologically truer than Making Noise Quietly. by Peter Hanly and John than Making Noise Quietly, Lloyd Fillingham, the one a in which Bron struggles to

tion, most strikingly in Fillingham's powerful portrayal of an inarticulate soldier who cannot stop himself taking out his self-hatred and rage on the pathetic boy be loves and who loves him. Here too Holman's distinctive qualities - that spare richness, that astringent abundance - leave us with drama quietly to relish.

bring conviction to a Holo-

caust survivor earnestly trying

to civilise a feral child and his

almost equally troubled step-

father. Yet here too there is

plenty of deft human observa-

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to, but then so are the characters. Steve Edwin is sound as the tough-but-vulnerable Fred; Phil Hearne is leery as the completely artless dodger Redhot, and Tony Hunt gets the martinet plod and monotone boom of the cloddish Sergeant Collins. Io particularly good voice were Diand Croft as the put-upon barmaid Lily, and Liz Marsh and Nina Lucking as loveable tarts Betty and Rosey, squealing away d la Barbara Windsor (for it was our Babs who was the original Rosey). The star turn, though, is Carol Sloman as a raddled whore whose every painful step is an agonising odyssey. She had the audience in such hysterics that they drowned out much of the show. The cast are sweetly directed by Bob Carlton.

The piece itself has its moments, though in Frank Norman's wordy book many of them are drawn out far too long. especially in the protracted second half. But when Bart's bright, breezy songs take over, things bow! merrily enough along.

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don't know what he is going to stage with a mournful demeanour, and does a staid little mime with two suitcases and a questionmark stuck to his head, the laughter is polite. Eventually he rips off his ques-tionmark and launches into full rapscallion mode and the relief is palpable.

Leandre skates through a whole catalogue of styles and characters but his enduring performance trait is to step ever-so-slightly over the line of accepted behaviour, doing the kind of things that we would all do if the rest of the world's back were turned: spitting from a great height and throwing bits of banana at people.

Of course, this being a post-Freudian show, Leandre is authentically puerile as opposed to kowtowing to accepted no-tions of childish behaviour: which means pee, poo and sex organs a-go-go. Interestingly, the episode when he seems to have crossed too far over the line metamorphoses into the most magical part of the show.

There are two more abstract elements of his performance that are worth commending First, his rapport with the audience, which was extraordinary given that he was performing in a country where audiences are famous for being participation-phobic. And secondly, the absolute beauty of his movements, which were so smooth and beguiling that he often resembled one of those films of people taking their clothes off played backwards.

Although Leandre is eminently suitable for adults he is also family entertainment in the real sense; a show that you can take very bad-tempered 13-year-olds to and they might actually thank you afterwards.

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Heaven on earth with a satin doll

obert Carsen's stag-ing of Semele was the last operation throw of the old regime at the Aix fesoval in 1996. It would be difficult to think of a more sylish way in which to exit. ENO had the wit at the time to book it as a co-production and it arrives at the Coliseum very much as it was then, complete with the luscious Rosemary Joshua more secure than ever in the title role.

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s echoes of Way,

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The first act is still a bit stodgy as Semele takes her time deciding between a royal marriage on earth and the lux-uries Jupiter is offering in heaven. Once she sees that a little social climbing is within her grasp, with a possible move from mortal to god. everything changes. Handel stops writing an oratorio and opts for a bawdy comedy, re-flecting the girnlet eye of Con-greve's libretto for the follies and foibles of the day.

Carsen suggests in a series of delicately pointed stage jokes that nothing much has changed over the years. The royals have their weaknesses, chief of which are greed and hist, and the gods — or super-royals — suffer from just the same faults. According to Congreve the way of the gods was much the same as the way of the world.

Rosemary Joshua's Semele is a blonde tramp, whose only real asset is her body and whose only aims are endless pleasure, as she states in her Act I aria, and a seat among the planets. She spends much of the evening in fetching satin underwear, and at one point nothing at all, while she indulges Jupiter. The vocal flow is just as uninhibited, with silvery roulades numbling out into the Coliseum. The Mirror aria, Myself l shall adore, was especially brilliant: Baby Doll

OPERA Coliseum

pranos who had better not be

John Mark Ainsley plays Jupiter as a balding boss intent on having his piece on the side, not for the first or the last time to judge from the reactions of Juno (Susan Bickley, an all too recognisable regal figure in head scarf and welly boots). Jupiter may send Semele to her death when her demands become excessive, but before then he sings with great tenderness. Every phrase of Where'er you walk, taken very slowly and quietly, had the pa-trician shaping once given it by Heddle Nash.

The supporting cast is uni-formly excellent, led by Sarah Connolly's warm-voiced Inc. sister of Semele, and just about the only sympathetic character in the piece. There are sharp impersonations from Iris Kelly as Juno's hobhle-skirted secretary, the Miss Moneypenny of the spheres. Graeme Danby's Somnus is a pantaloon straight from A Midsummer Night's Dream, a sharp reminder that Britten's opera is the only other Carsen production seen at a major

London house.

The ENO chorus, meticulously drilled by Carsen, revelled in Handel. So did the orchestra under the lithe hands of Harry Bicket. An overdose of stage champagne (courtesy of Canada Dry) induces the final bacchanale, most appropriately as Bacchus was the outcome of that Jupiter-Semele affair. The Coliseum has done Handel, and Congreve, proud.

JOHN HIGGINS



A god can Handel the goods: Jupiter (John Mark Ainsley) is intent on making the earth move for Semele (Rosemary Joshua) before the affair turns less than heavenly

Petty-minded people

you're gonna begin to through .. this. world, sings Tom Petty on his new album with the Heartbreakers, Echo, released this week. In a 23-year recording career the band have develter to repel the somewhat malcontent reviews that have

greeted the record in the UK. Echo is the first album credited to the band in eight years. but the Heartbreakers have always been central to Petty's creativity. When he makes supposedly solo records, they play on them, which is a bit like taking the mother-in-law on holiday. The new set is accused of being rooted in some time-



set sternly against any whiff of contemporary influence. So what you see in Uncle Tom's rock'n roll cabin is definitely what you get, and the fans who have stayed with him in an up-and-down British career got the chance to see at close quarters on Monday evening. The band's stock has taken a tumble here since the days when they could play five nights at Wembley Arena, as



Happy to be rocking and rolling: Tom Petty at the Empire

result is the opportunity to see them in a club environment,

and if Petty can continue to pocket Grammy awards for

fun, then neither band nor au-

dience will complain.

Thus we embarked on a ty's back pages, in a relaxed show that also borrowed a few leaves from other volumes. They started with Chuck Berry's Around and Around, and proceeded to pick up favourite old playthings like a child rum-

maging in a toybox. The set list was a delightful join-the-dots of their own landmarks, such as Breakdown, Runnin' Down A Dream and the rarely-performed Don't Do Me Like That, and of those they have loved. JJ. Cale's Call Me The Breeze and the Everly Brothers' imprint of Lucille were among those in the Heartbreakers' jukebox, and an instrumental workout by lead guitarist Mike Campbell was still wet with the spray of Californian surf classics by

the likes of the Chantays. American Girl was delivered not with the nervous energy of the original but as an acoustic sketch, and for one of the encores Petty turned the ubiquitous Gloria into a story song. To say that they some-times played a little too comfortably within their capabilities would be to miss the point of a band that feels no further need to justify itself by scram-bling up unknown terrain.

PAUL SEXTON

London's likely lads

nother Level had no control over the events that conspired to make them the top turn in London last Saturday night, Paul Sexton writes. The DJ title bout between Fatboy Slim and Armand Van Helden fell victim to the Brixton bomb, while Paul Heaton of the Beautiful South, who always talks a good fight, was struck hoarse and unable to enter the ring at Wembley. But the improved billing for the London quartet was in keeping with their rapid rise through the card in the past 12 months.

With a hoard of hits in the locker since Be Alone No More made the first of two chart sorties in February last year, the group had rescheduled and upsized their debut British tour to accommodate ticket demand, and there was never a suggestion that they were fighting above their weight. As underlined by an audience dominated by pubescent girls, their success has been channelled through a se- ear for crossover was empha-



ries of polished home-grown R&B numbers with a good dollop of sex appeal to quicken

the teenage pulse.

They entered to a stage layout reminiscent of that used by visiong champions Dru Hill a few weeks ago, with a sevenpiece band doing sterling work in the shadows. Setting off with I Want You For Myself, their convincing vocals and harmonies evenly shared, they had the swagger of Lotharios, fashioned from the mould of such kings of the heartstrings as Boyz II Men

and Keith Sweat. But their Top 40 sensibilities are more upfront than those of such urban figurcheads. Another Level came to the attention of pop crowds as the opening act on Janet Jackson's last European tour, and their keen

of Goody Goody, due to feature on their second album later this year.

By then, they may well have a second chart-topper to display next to last summer's Freak Me. The well-connected group have the first single, Diane Warreo's From The Heart, from the forthcoming Julia Roberts-Hugh Grant picture Notting Hill. It is a suitably romantic lead guaranteed

approval from their fan base. Be Alone No More closed the main set in singalong fashion, and after an unambitious encore version of Simply Red's Holding Back The Years. there was a sharper edge to Summertime, written for them by hip-hop notable TQ and due to launch them in the US next month. Freak Me. the bump'n'grind chart-topper appropriated from the Atlanta soulsters Silk, was triumphant. If Another Level can export London soul to the States. sales of nurry slack in Newcas-

tle may yet be viable.

the choir of King's College, Cambridge, but surface details suggested impostors. No red cassocks or freshly-ironed surplices, just sombre black gowns and ties. None of that honey smeared

singing? Rachmaninov's Vespers, if you please, written for the Russian Orthodox church traditional chants. This is the King's choir in

over the notes by the chapel acoustic. And what were they

1999, led into new musical terrain by the demands of fashion and the inquisitiveness of its current director. Stephen Cleobury. New Age minimal-

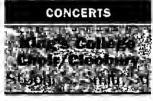
Diano recitals are not what Glyndebourne has been famous for up to now, but things could change with the start of its new International Concert Series. Indeed. change is part of Nicholas Snowman's plan as General Director there, but this revolution is happening slowly: with the opera season just around the corner there are few free slots in the

theatre's schedule. But Mitsuko Uchida's recital on Sunday afternoon confirmed what an Alfred Brendel concert under the auspices of the Brighton Festival not long ago suggested: Glyndebourne's warm acoustics and intimacy make it a oatu-ral concert venue. With the piano placed over the covered orchestra pit.

Voices big in heart

ism and millennium fever have recently swept Rachmaninov's setting to popularity. The choir's recording company, EMI, felt the moment was ripe. In March came the CD. And here was the concert, in St John's. Smith Square, packed the curious, and the parents of the heroic little boys struggling for an hour to dutch vocal scores half their size.

On top of that, they were singing in Russian. As the King's troupe moved up and



down the 15 capticles' simple melodies, sparsely woven with parallel chords and bell-tolling phrases, no one could take them for a mature Russian choir, voices vast as the steppes, deep as the blood of a

Storm over Sussex

ing under awesome control. Trebles began like Anglican angels but soon warmed to their task. The basses even of low B-flat from their boots for the end of the Nune dimittis. By the end, performance fatigue was creeping in. but this was understandable. Some Rachmaninov fatigue

hundred oxen. But, loud or soft, they still produced a thrill-

ing sound, sensitive to the nth

degree, phrasing and breath-

was also nooceable. Individu-

Mitsuko Uchida

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Her account of Beethoven's Sonata No 31 in A flat. Op 110, was equally

wide-ranging. The opening had calm serenity, giving way to the rippling ar-peggios that she dispatched with great delicacy. She built the work steadily to-

wards its lofty finale, a fugue that thun-

dered out organ-like only to lose its

al numbers in the Vespers radiate brilliance and intensity: but as a concert experience this music lacks structure and variety. Rachmaninov once said his idea of heaven was a place where his Prelude in C sharp minor was never played. On aural grounds it is a pity Rachmaninov's heaven also has a ban on counterpoint.

Here Thomas Tallis came to the rescue. For the King's men began the concert on familiar Tudor ground, weaving effortlessly through the polyphonic maze of his Lamentations of Jeremiah. It was pungent; it was lovely; it was short.

GEOFF BROWN

way and eventually return majestically, and pulled all the strands of its com-

plex structure together. Nothing could have shown better bow Schubert is the poet to Beethoven's dramatist than her juxtaposition of both composers here: Schubert's Sonata in D. D 850, may be his most virtuosic and exuberant piano work, but it is also full of bucolic charm. Uchida caught all its freshness and played with unfettered vigour, especially in the dancing syncopations of the Scherzo. The airy finale had brilliant clarity, and the Scarlatti and Mozart encores that followed were played with featherweight delicacy.

JOHN ALLISON

ning flashes of drama.

Uchida was in close contact with the

aodience, ideal for an artist of her sen-

She opened her programme of late

Beethoven and Schubert with the

former's Six Bagatelles, Op 126, minia-

tures in which the composer is at his

most unconventional. The first bars of

the opening piece sang out lyrically be-fore digressing wildly, and Uchida

was responsive to each twist and turn:

throughout the rest of the set she cut

from quiet to stormy passages via light-

Rising stars in the arts firmament: JOHN WILSON

GREAT BRITISH HOPES

Age: 26. Profession: Conductor-ar-

ranger. Winner of the Tagore Gold Medal, the plum award at the Royal College of Music. He wears two hats this week, conducting his own Sinfonia of Westminster at St John's, Smith Square, tomorrow and leading his easy listening ensemble, the John Wilsoo Orchestra, in its regular slot at Kensington's Royal Garden Hotel on Saturday. He'll also conduct Richard Strauss's Don Juan at Kenwood this

Not to mention the rave reviews for his recorded series of Eric Coates's works: Gateshead-born Wilson has been a Coates admirer since his teens. "It's real arrangers' music, a happy combination of orchestral sound and well-crafted melodies. There are very few composers who are unjustly neglected: when you listen to their music you realise why they are neglected. But Coates isn't one of

Who else has influenced him? The arranger Robert Farnon is a role model too; he often sends Wilson scores to perform. Nelson Riddle is up at the top of the list. "His tals.



string arrangement on Sinarra's version of I Get Along Without You Very Well is my favourite recording of all time. There's some wonderful contrapuntal writing in

Can we hear the JW Orchestra on record? Yes. The ensemble, which also plays regular dates at Pizza On The Park in Knightsbridge, has released its debut album, This Is The John Wilson Orchestra, on the Velvetone label. Singer Sarah Moule guests on vocals; other pieces are played as lush instrumen-

So is he part of the so-called easy-listening boom? "It's a little too gimmicky for me. This whole area of music has gone astray. Now, thanks to CDs, we're able to sift the good stuff. I think light music should be given an evening at the Proms. It would sell out easily."

We're not talking kitsch. then? "No. you have to take the material seriously. I'm the world's biggest snob when it comes to choosing the orchestra that plays under me."

CLIVE DAVIS





Battle cry as magnificent few fly flag

has launched a campaign to revive the Oueen's industry awards in the wake of a slump in applications.

Only 765 companies applied this year for the Queen's Awards for Export, Technological and Environmental Achievement, the smallest total since the awards began in 1966.

Despite the disappointing fall in the number of applications, the quality of aspiring companies has held up well. The total of 101 winners out of 765 nominadons, 13.2 per cent. is well above the usual success rate. Last year awards went to just under 11 per cent and in

1997 to only 7.8 per cent.
This year all the environment award winners have tasted success for the first time and 30 winners across the board had not applied before.

But all three categories registered the lowest level of inter-est to date. The 520 Export applications marked only the second time that the total for this category had slipped

The Technology tally at 163 was 44 fewer than last year, itself the previous low point. Nominations for Environment fell below 100 for the first time, compared with 240 applications when this section was introduced in 1993.

The Prince of Wales was asked by the Queen to chair a committee of business people and senior government officials to review the awards.

The awards, made each year on the Queen's birthday. April 21, were originally launched during a balance of payments crisis. There was also a new awareness of technological change. Harold Wilson, then Prime Minister.

nological revolution".

Applications built up to peak at 1.860 in 1978. On average, there have been about 1,000 applications for the export awards, 300 for technology and just under 150 for the environment. Roughly one applicant in ten succeeds

Tony Blair, the Prime Minister, announced just before Christmas that, at Buckingham Palace's suggestion, there should be a review of the scheme this year with any rec-ommendations taking effect next year.

Roger Watson, secretary to the review committee, says. The awards have been on something of a downward trend — technology because of the shrinking defence markets and exports because of the strong pound. The way forward may well be to broaden the environmental award beyond mere technological innovation to reward good envi-

ronmental management. There is not enough awareness of the awards among consumers. Their real value at present is between business competitors. They need a high-

er profile. The committee will make its recommendations in June. In the meantime companies can still express an interest in the year 2000 awards with the Queen's Awards office so that application forms can be sent out as soon as they are availa-

This year, smaller companies in particular are still showing interest, reflecting the growth of the small business sector in the UK econo-

Crambeth Allen Publishing, which produces technical periodicals on steel making, refining and petrochemicals, has only eight employees. So does UK Project Support a Norwich-based recruitment agency for the offshore oil and gas

Brunton's Propellers and its 11-strong workforce at Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, enjoy a technology award while Corney & Barrow (Broker Services), a wine broker, has a staff of 12. although it is part of a larger

nother encouraging sign is the increase in applications from the financial services sector. It forms a third of the export winners, twice the usual proportion.

There are two double award winners this time, Digital Engineering of Belfast, a computer company, and Snell & ecoms manufacturer at Petersfield, Hampshire Both win export and technology awards.



SILLY string and coloured hair do not win many awards, but GAC (UK) Ltd. based at Cwmbran in Wales, has won a Queen's export award by exporting

the party spirit, Christopher Warman writes. Aerosols of silly string, temporary hair-colour in the most eccentric of shades and glitter sprays are exported to more than 30 countries, accounting for 90 per cent of the company's £10 million turnover last year. By far the largest

export market is the United States, followed by France and Germany.

GAC has more than doubled its production during the past three years and

it expects a bumper year this year as people prepare for millennium parties. We are having difficulty meeting demand," says Stefan Volcke Jr, marketing director of the parent company Goodmark. "At any given moment, a party is going on somewhere in the world. We provide people with products that can be used for any festive occasion, from Christmas and new year through to

More than 30 million cans of silly string were produced last year enough to

circle the globe 60 times.

Hi-tech approach to exports

nly two firms have won dou-ble awards this year. Digital Engineering, a telecoms equipment maker at Mallusk, Belfast, and Snell & Wilcox, broadcasting equipment specialist at Petersfield, Hampshire, both take an export and a technology award, and are now recognised as world leaders in their respective fields.

Digital Engineering, set up in 1983 by Aubrey Sayers, the managing director, with backing from Ledu, the Northern Ireland organisation that supports small businesses, has only 30 employees yet has more than trebled exports in the past three years. It makes equipment that telecoms companies can use to test or demonstrate

quality telephone lines.

The Emutel ISDN simulator has been a big seller worldwide since it was introduced in 1993. There are five versions, ranging from the smallest, which can be used in exhibitions. to larger ones for use by manufacturers to test their products. A new product, the Arcaplex,

which enables users to split one high-capacity ISDN line into 15 low-capacity channels, has already brought a E2 million order from Austria. Digital Engineering exports more than 80 per cent of its output. Caroline

Scott, the sales and marketing execu-

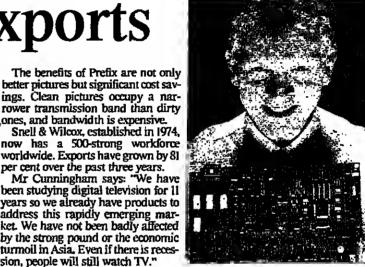
their own products and to train staff.
It won the technology award for a product that simulates ISDN high-0 distributors in 30 countries and we are always looking for new markets," Snell & Wilcox has now picked up

eight awards over the past nine years. This time the technology accolade is for its Prefix product, which improves the quality of television pictures before they are transmitted.

David Cunningham, the marketing executive, says: "Prefix cleans up the picture by removing extraneous noise before the picture is compressed for transmission. The British have a reputation for being good at investing in technology only to have others exploit it. We like to think we do both."

The benefits of Prefix are not only better pictures but significant cost savings. Clean pictures occupy a narrower transmission band than dirty ones, and bandwidth is expensive. Snell & Wilcox, established in 1974,

worldwide. Exports have grown by 81 per cent over the past three years.
Mr Cunningham says: "We have been studying digital television for 11 years so we already have products to address this rapidly emerging mar-ket. We have not been badly affected by the strong pound or the economic turmoil in Asia. Even if there is recession, people will still watch TV."



RODNEY HOBSON Digital Engineering's Aubrey Sayers with one of the company's products

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Tony Dawe on innovations from bacteria detection to asthma inhalers

ealth scares caused by the E. coli bacte-ria and Cryptand Cryptosporidium may be on the way out thanks to ChemScan. the world's first bacterial detection system to provide results within minutes rather than days. ChemScan, devel-oped by the Technology Partnership of Royston, Hertford-shire, is capable of detecting a single cell of microbial contamination using a revolutionary method that needs no multiplication and incubation.

The breakthrough is one of several in the medical field to feature in this year's Queen's Awards for Technological announced Achievement,

Contamination of food and drinks by Cryptosporidium and E. coli can kill or cause severe illness yet, until the invention of ChemScan, both were detected mostly after people had fallen ill.

Dr Christopher Graeme-Barber, the firm's marketing director, says: Samples would be taken when people went to their doctors with an upset stomach, but it would take days to get the results and discover if they were suffering from something more serious. ChemScan is a laser scanning system capable of finding within minutes a single living bacteria in a cup of liquid."

Innovations must achieve commercial success to win a Queen's award - ChemScan is now used by many British water companies and by food, drinks and drugs firms. It is expected to raise the purity of



The directors of Serck, Ian Dugan, David Woolley and Christopher Teed, inspect the exhaust-gas cooling system

water and mass-produced food dramatically in the next millennium. The system has also been used in hospitals to check for cancer cells and viral infection.

Minnows and giants of the medical world are among other award winners. Immunodiagnostic Systems, which employs 27 staff in Tyne and Wear, gets a prize for the development of medical test kits for finding vitamin D in blood samples.
The immuno-separation

process is faster and more sensitive than other methods. A hundred samples can be analysed in two days: using alter-native methods, it will take three days to analyse a maximum of 24 samples. The absence of vitamin D can cause rickets, while the presence of the vitamin helps to stem

bone loss from osteoporosis. Dr Roger Duggan, the company's managing director, says: The kit is now our biggestselling product. Vitamin D plays an important role in the absorption of calcium which leads to strong bones and teeth in children."

Glaxo Research and Development has invented a new method for delivering asthma drugs. Accuhaler is a multidose dry-powder inhaler. It delivers a precise dosage and. because it is easy to hold and use, is suitable for both children and arthritics.

Acordis Speciality Fibres of oventry and ConvaTec Ltd of Deeside, Flintshire, share a joint award for developing AQUACEL Hydrofibre Hydrofi bre wound dressing. The dressing forms a gel which covers the surface of the wound by

moulding itself over the contours, ensuring that the wound remains moist. The gel prevents the dressing from sticking to the wound and so makes removal less painful. A further common theme

among the technological awards are innovations which make contrasting forms of transport quicker, more efficient and environmentally

Brunton's Propellers of Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, wins an award for a sailing boat propeller which alters its pitch to suit the conditions. The pitch of the blades, which can swivel through 360 degrees, is set solely by the action of hydrodynamic and centrifugal forces which reduce fuel consumption, engine noise and vibration and make the boat travel faster. Autoprop has been fitted to 2,500 vessels.

An exhaust-gas cooling system might not sound the most exciting of developments, but the product from Serck Heat Transfer of Birmingham deserves its award because it has already been fitted to many diesel-powered cars, making them cleaner and reducing both fuel consumption and emissions.

David Woolley, director of Serck's exhaust-gas cooling division, says: "We have had the satisfaction of seeing the system adopted by many of the world's leading manufac-turers including BMW, Ford and Volkswagen. To date. balf a million units have been installed and there has not been a single failure."

QUEEN'S AWARD FOR TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENT

Acordis Speciality Fibres. Coventry West Midlands: AQUACEL Hydrofibre Hydrofibre wound dressing.

AirSense Technology Ltd. Hitchin, Hertfordshire: Siratos-HSSD incipieni fire/ smoke detection system.

ALSTOM Energy Ltd. Rugby. Warwickshire: Advanced 3-D steam turbine blading with improved efficiency for high power density applications.

Brunton's Propellers Ltd. Clacton-on-Sea: Autoprop au-tomatic variable pitch marine

ConvaTec Ltd. Deeside, Flintshire: AQUACELHydrofibre



wound dressing (joint award with Acordis).

Digital Engineering Ltd, Mallusk, Belfast: Design/dev-elop-ment of ISDN central off-ice Marathon Belting Ltd, Roch-

simulators that emulate different country variants of ISDN telecoms worldwide.

Glaxo Research and Develop-ment Ltd. Greenford, Middlesex: Diskus multidose dry powder inhaler.

Telecom Systems Division of Hewlett-Packard Ltd, South Queensferry, West Lothian, Scotland: HP acceSS7 - the standard for SS7-based network moniloring and datamining in telecoms.

Immunodiagnostic Systems Ltd, Boldon, Tyne & Wear: Determination of vitamin D in human serum & plasma.

dale. Lancashire: COPSIL (3 press compensating mat).

Exhaust Gas Cooling Divi-sion of Serck Heat Transfer Ltd. Birmingham: Exhaust gas cooler (for diesel emissions improvement).

Snell & Wilcox Ltd, Petersfield, Hampshire: MPEG contpression pre-processor for high quality noise reduction/ digital decoding of video signals.

The Technology Partnership plc. Royston, Hertfordshire: ChemScan RDI for microbial detection and identification.

Zeneca Agrochemicals, Haslemere, Surrey: AMISTAR fun-

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achievement



Greeks offer inspiration

ne of Northern Ireland's oldest companies has won the Queen's Award for Export Achievement for the first time, with a product inspired by the white marble quarried on the Greek island of Paros.

Established in 1857, Belleek Pottery of Co Fermanagh is a manufacturer of fine Parian china giftware, pictured left, and tableware that has seen significant export growth in recent years.

In 1993 Belieek reported export sales of £1.8 million as part of an overall turnover of £3.37 million. By 1998, export sales had risen to £4.08 million and turnover to £6.42 million. During that

time the workforce has grown from 120 to 200. Belleek Pottery, whose sister companies are Galway Irish Crystal and Aynsley China, exports Parian china worldwide, with key export markets including America, Canada, the Caribbean duty-free areas. France, Italy, Australia, the Middle East and

John Maguire, Belleek Group's managing director, says the company has invested considerable time and money in getting to know its export market customers and in responding to their specific needs with new product development. The expansion of the group to include Galway Irish Crystal and Aynsley China has also brought us a wealth of additional export expertise," he says.

CHRISTOPHER WARMAN



Boat prop saves fuel

AN ingenious boat propeller earns a technological achievement award for Brunton's Propellers of Clacton-on-Sea. Essex, one of the smallest firms among the winners, with 11 employees. Christopher Warman writes.

The company has developed the Autoprop, an automatic variable pitch marine propeller which alters its pitch to suit the operating condi-tions of the vessel on which it

The blade pitch is set by the action of the hydrodynamic and centrifugal forces to offer much higher efficiency over a wider range of operating speeds than can be achieved by conventional

This action results in higher vessel speeds, reduced fuel consumption and lower emissions into the environment.

DUFER AWARD FOR EXPORT ACHIEVEMENT

Aggreko UK Ltd - Manufacturing, Dumbarton, West Dunbartonshire: Generators and oil-free air compressors. Akos Healthcare Group Ltd. St Albans, Hertfordshire: International healthcare consultancy and contract services. Allen & Overy, London: Legal

Beardow & Adams (Adhesives) Ltd. Milton Keynes: Hot melt adhesives.

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aging items.

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shire, wins an award for the

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How aviation soared to fresh heights

feature prominently among the contrast ing industries that have picked up prizes in the Oueen's Awards for Export Achievement announced today. Aircraft manufacturers, engine repairers and companies

providing comfort for passengers and essential instruments for the planes are all recognised, but the most surprising export winner is an airport. Noise restrictions, the lack of rail links and the initial slug-gish pace of Docklands devel-

opment all helped London City Airport to run up huge losses in its first years. Today it is booming with a dozen European airlines serving a score of destinations. Internacional carriers, including Air France, Alitalia and Lufthansa, fly into the Docklands airport bringing passengers who spend money in its shops and cafés and on travel in the capital. "With more than half of the

passengers travelling via Lon-don City being resident in Europe, we have created a significantly increased contribution to the UK's invisible earnings," says Richard Gooding, the airport's managing director. These awards are not given lightly and to be the first air-

he entry rules for the Queen's Awards for Environmental

Achievement stipulate that the applicants' products must

offer significant benefits in

environmental terms com-

pared with those already in

existence, writes John Young.

be commercially successful

and to address the cause of a

particular environmental prob-

A good example is provided by the Jesse Brough Metals Group, of Hixon, Stafford-

shire, which has led the way in

searching for ways of recy-

cling the furnace waste from

Every year the world produc-

es some 3.5 million tonnes of

so-called white dross and 850,000 tonnes of black dross,

which is either consigned to

In close collaboration with

slagheaps or used for landfill.

Mechatherm International, also based in Staffordshire,

aluminium production.

lem rather than its effect.

They must also be shown to

achievement.'

A more predictable winner is British Aerospace for its work on the Airbus, the most successful European co-operation in building passenger planes. The Airbus began life as a twin-engined aircraft with limited range, but a series of models is now being built. including the four-engined A340-500 with a

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range of 9,000 miles. Exports have almost doubled over the past three years and the company is also studying a Superjumbo capable of carrying up to 650 passengers. The 2,000th

Airbus will be completed shortly. British Aerospace has made the wings for all of them, employing 7,500 directly, although a total of

62,000 people are involved in the project throughout the UK. The award for export achievement also goes to a company that overhauls aircraft engines for more than 70

the technology to separate metallic oxide products from

the dross, so that they can be reused in steelmaking and

Exotherm Products of Car-

diff receives an award for the

development of Insul-Watt,

described as the biggest break-

gine Services has boomed since it was bought from British Airways by General Elec-tric, the American engine manufacturer. The company has trebled the number of airlines it serves and exports have doubled, reaching £275 million more than 40 per cent of all revenues, last year.

James Barrett, the deputy chairman, says that while BA remains its largest customer, the Queen's Award provides national recognition for "making this a global business with global reach".

might be the company's main concern, but passenger com-fort is the prime reason for the success of John Horsfall & Sons of Halifax, which wins the award for the second year run-

ning. The company, founded in 1863 to make blankets, carried on business successfully until the 1970s when the popularity of duvets undermined the market. It moved on to providing blankets for the airline

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destruction technology for waste sodium hypochlorite.

Products, Blackley, Manchester: novel magnesium-based process used in the manufacture of copper

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WHAT PRINCE NEED AWARD



Reaching for the sky: British Aerospace has been rewarded for its work on the Airbus. Its exports have almost doubled over the past three years

Homecare gets a lift grown until it has become the most important for us," says Peter Benson, the managing "We make everything from a very economic flame-

> The worldwide trend towards encouraging patients to treat their own illnesses outside hospitals by managing their own medication, is being made easier thanks to companies such as Owen Mumford Medical Divi-sion, based in Woodstock, Oxfordshire, winner of its first

Oueen's Award. The company specialises in the design, development and manufacture of small medical devices and disposables for diagnostic testing, blood sam-pling and self-injection of phar-maceuticals. These are used in institutions, but can also help patients to monitor and treat their conditions at home.

John Webb, the sales direc-tor, says: "More and more patients are managing their own medication in their own homes and the manufacture of devices used for self-injection of pharmaceutical products, such as insulin, is a growing area.

This situation is typified by diabetics, but more new drugs are coming out that are usable in a home environment, such as growth hormones which are administered to children suffering from a growth disorder.

The company markets the products worldwide under its own brands and works with pharmaceutical companies to develop devices for specific needs. Its exports have doubled over the past three years. Scherer DDS's Zydis Divi-

sion, part of the R P Scherer group, has won its first award. Based in Swindon, Wiltshire, with a staff of 340, it contracts, develops and manufactures fast-dissolving oral base tablets for pharmaceutical clients. including Glaxo.
Dr Richard Yarwood, the

There has been substantial growth in this market. The tablets are convenient and accurate. It is a dosage form that has applications for children and for older people who may be taking several drugs and have difficulty swallowing." Almost all its business is for

export, and the combined earnings of product sales and development projects have more than doubled over three years. Its main markets are in America and Western Europe.

Amanda Loose reports on the medical-products firms that help patients to help themselves



On the rise: Stannah Stairlifts is celebrating its third award

Technical Absorbents has company, established in 1994, is based near Grimsby and employs 20 people. Technical also won its first Queen's Award, after receiving the Humberside Exporter of the Absorbants Ltd has doubled Year Award last year. This

its exports over the past three Superabsorbent, which has a wide variety of applications,

It manufactures Oasis Fibre from health and hygiene uses, to the cable industry and food packaging. Oasis is designed to absorb and retain large amounts of liquids. It will take in up to 50 times its own weight in water, locking the liq-uid into the fibre so it is dry to

touch.
Richard Heath, the sales and marketing director, says:
"We sell this fibre for use in a range of hygiene applications, from adult incontinence to medical dressings. Bandages need to be changed less frequently, reducing distur-bances to the wound and also

reducing costs."
Oasis fibre is also used in food packaging, for example the soaker pads at the bottom of sealed plastic trays containing fresh meat or poultry. The fibre boosts the pad's absorbancy, says Mr Heath, locking in the liquid and so improving the hygiene and the presentation of the product.

Stannah Stairlifts, based in Andover, Hampshire, is a veteran of the Oueen's Awards, winning its third this year. The company, part of Stannah Family Holdings, has increased its exports by almost fll million over the past six years and has established 12 new markets.

rian Stannah, the Chairman of the parent company and a director of Stannah Stairlifts, is delighted with its win, as markets around the world become increasingly aware that more people are living longer and are being cared for in their

own homes.
"Continued product development and focusing on the needs of our customers have been crucial," he savs. "However, sales volumes and distributor loyalty have been serioussterling. It is difficult to maintain successful exports with the high pound. Distributor loyalties are being seriously affected."

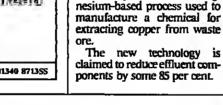
BUPA International, part of the BUPA Group, based in Brighton, West Sussex, has also received a Queen's Award.

Founded more than 25 years ago, it is the UK market leader in international private medical insurance, and now has

members in 180 countries. **BUPA** International gives customers a choice of cover based on their circumstances. and the opportunity to decide the country and the hospitals in which they are treated.









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QUEEN'S AWARDS 47 Drink a toast to a tartan success story

Scotland's food and drink producers have done the nation proud, writes John Young

Scottish flavour to this year's awards in the food and drink sector, with four of the six winners coming from north of the

iv Dawe reports

Nestling among the famous Speyside distilleries is a bak-ery established by Joseph Walker just over 100 years ago to serve the needs of the village, which has since grown to be the country's leading manufacturer of shortbread.

Although it is still jointly run as a family business by the founder's three grandchildren, James, Joseph and Marjorie, it employs about 600 staff and exports nearly half its annual output of some 10,000 tonnes to more than 60 countries, includ-

ing America, Aus-France, Chile and Russia. This is its third export award, following successes in 1984 and 1988. "It is

a reflection on everyone in the company from the shop floor up, and we think it is rather France and special because it is rare for a bakery to win an award twice. let alone three times," says James Walker.

The firm also markets a range of Duchy Original biscuits made from organic wheat and oats harvested on the Prince of Wales's Home Farm at Highgrove.

Portugal

Another family firm, MacDuff Shellfish, of Aberdeenshire, wins an award for the first time. Exports from its two factories, both of which have won awards from the Sea Fish Industry Authority, have more than doubled in the past three years.

Its main markets are France and, increasingly, Portugal, Spain and Germany, Principal products are langoustines, scallops and crabs, all caught in local waters and supplied to supermarkets, wholesale groups

here is a distinctly and specialist traders. "Selling to the French has been quite difficult," says John Beaton, the managing director.

One of the two English companies on the prize list is Dorset Cereals, of Dorchester, which is winning an award for the first time. Founded only ten years ago, the company exports high-fibre breakfast foods and mueslis to 47 countries in Europe, the Middle East, the Far East, North America and the Caribbean, in total accounting for half its

It has exhibited at international food fairs in London, Germany and Russia, and works with the Department and Trade and Industry to promote language learning for

businessmen. Scotch whisky Shellfish has long been a significant contributor to Britain's exfrom Scots port trade, and two of the best known waters go malts are included in this year's to Spain,

The Macallan Distillers, of Craig-Bannfshire, has been honoured for the fourth time. Between August 1996 and August 1998 exports rose from 54 per cent to 61 per cent of total turnover, de-

ton Rose with about 1,200.

Allen & Overy has 20 offices that practise local law in many coun-

tries, but Bill Tudor John, the sen-

ior partner, says: "British invisible

exports, of which law is one, are an

important earner for the country-

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Eoglish law has become a highly

exportable product. Many interna-

tional contracts between foreign

partners will specify English law

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an enormous respect for the imparti-

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spite intense competition in the luxury market. Glenmorangie plc, of West Lothian, which exports to

more than 100 countries, wins

its first award. Although Britain is not yet a significant producer of wine. well-established merchants Corney & Barrow, in the City of London, have won a second successive export award as a broker of fine and rare wines imported mainly

from France and sold on to

other countries. Much of the wine comes from private customers' reserves which have been stored in the firm's cellars since they were first shipped.



First-time award winner for exports: Glenmorangie chairman Geoffrey Maddrell has a celebratory dram inside the company's warehouse bottling plant in Broxburn, Scotland

ondon's importance as an Worldwide demand for international financial and legal centre has helped two large City law firms to win awards for exports. They are Allen & Overy English law and courts with more than 1.500 staff and Nor-In the past ten years several Lon-don law firms, like their foreign counterparts, bave become more internationally minded and there are now half a dozen leading British firms that practise all over boosts invisible exports

bled the size of our firm in the past five years and that growth bas been mainly overseas.

"When I took over as head of the firm in 1994 only 7 per cent of our people were based outside the UK. Now it is 34 per cent and within a shurt time, probably two years, more than half our lawyers will be based abroad."

Formed in 1930, Allen & Overy provides legal advice to businesses, financial institutions, governments and individuals on banking, corpomarkets, litigation, tax, employment and pensions.

Export earnings come from all over the world, but the biggest markets are where the financial centres are in Europe, North America and

Allen & Overy has been advising financial institutions on their preparations for European economic and monetary union

Mr Tudor John says European monetary union will bring more export gains for British law firms

the system. He believes it will encourage cross-border mergers and acquisitions, an area in which British law firms have experience and

Overy plans to expand its presence in Paris and Frankfurt. Norton Rose has been trading for more than 200 years and acts for international groups including sovereign states, banks and other finan-

expertise. In anticipation, Allen &

cial institutions. Senior partner David Lewis says: This award comes at the end of a record year in which we have opened three new offices in Athens. Prague and Bangkok.

We have always had a strong international client base. However, the rate at which our international work has grown recently is staggering. Over the last three years our London office has more than doubled the value of work conducted outside the UK. This work now represents more than 40 per cent of its

ork includes advising on shipping, oil and gas financing, cargo claims, aircraft leasing, project finance, privatisation, cross-border mergers, property and international tax issues.

Recent achievements include advising Texas Utilities in defeating US rival PacifiCorp in the bidding war for The Energy Group, the UK utility: privatisation of the Romanian shipping industry, and the Bang Po power project in Thailand.

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12,301 down and we are still counting

Here, exclusive to The Times, are the finishers in the 1999 Flora London Marathon. The information is provided by

EDS, official suppliers of computers to the race, and today includes all those who ran between 3hr 41min and 4hr 4min. Names and times of other finishers will be published later this week.

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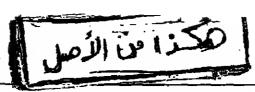
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Moneymen confident clubs can halt losses

By David Hands, Rugby correspondent

ENGLAND'S two most successful clubs, the East Midlands duo of Leicester and Northampton, will make substantial losses this season but both remain optimistic that the worst is over. Indeed next season, with Europe on the horizon, both believe they can. at worst, break even.

Leicester, who are within three points of the bile, will lose in excess of £500,000 this season while Northampton. whose second place is the highest that they have achieved in the Premiership, will lose £1.7 million. These are clubs with a formidable following. so the losses facing the less successful can easily be imagined.

"We took a calculated decision and last year I spent an ex-tra £500,000 so that Ian Mc-Geechan Ithe director of rugby could have what be wanted, Keith Barwell, the Northampton chairman, said. "But Europe will be worth perhaps another £700,000, we will reduce the players' wage bill by about £500,000 and I'm rather hoping that the excitement of the World Cup and Europe plus our own commercial nous will mean that next season we lose between nothing and £500,000. If I desperately wanted to, I could go into the

Preparations for this season were severely impaired by the inability of the leading clubs to produce a fixture list for members and sponsors, causing financial chaos. Hard lessons have been learnt and Barwell and Peter Tom, his Leicester counterpart, hope that the board meeting next Tuesday of English First-Division Rugby will produce a formula for 1999-2000, in particular a credible means of conducting club rugby before and during the World Cup.

Both men have considerable

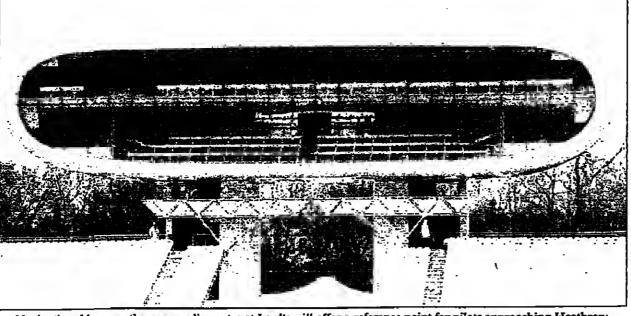
personal fortunes but where Barwell has chosen to fund directly Northampton's rise, Tom has brought business acumen to bear on a club that has traditionally relied on the city's commercial leaders.

"I have been in a position where, in an emergency, I could help out because some of my best moments were spent playing for Leicester," Tom said. "But I think the departure from the scene of Sir John Hall and Ashley Levett, which may have created difficulties for Newcastle and Richmond, has helped to restore reality."

All England's clubs have agreed the imposition of a salary cap of £1.5 million next season but there is also a continued debate over the number of clubs that will be competing at the highest level. If rumoured mergers take place, the number of clubs in the first division could be reduced from 14 to 12, which would affect the distribution of cash from televi-

"I'm delighted that the clubs are back in Europe and that there seems to be peace bethe International Board, the Rugby Football Un-ion and the clubs," Barwell said. "There are still some tricky things to be resolved, notably the great mass of fixtures scheduled, which could very well necessitate some shortterm contracts for players. expect to lose ten players to various World Cup squads. Gloucester, for example,

might only lose one. But I went into this with my eyes open. I told my committee three years ago that a fog would come down and life would be very difficult. I also told them no more than six or eight English clubs would survive but it's nice to know that there is enough money to fund



Navigational beacon: the new media centre at Lord's will offer a reference point for pilots approaching Heathrow

Woolmer's career prepares to take an academic turn

ob Woolmer, the highly regarded South Africa coach whom the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) has in mind as a successor to David Lloyd, is planning a new venture in the Re-public. He intends to start his own academy in Cape Town.

This will involve coaching youths of all races and the building of a new ground, which would take two years. It means that Woolmer, who hankers after working for himself, would continue to be based in his house in a suburb of Cape Town that overlooks a

Woolmer, who is to be succeeded as the South Africa coach after the World Cup by Graham Ford, the Natal coach, who was his assistant on the recent tour to New Zealand, is also having discussions with Channel 4 over joining its commentary team for the subsequent Test series be-tween England and New Zealand. In addition to his plans in Cape Town, he will be discussing his future with the United Cricket Board of South

Africa after the World Cup. "My relationship with Ali Bacher has not deteriorated and there would be a loyalty factor involved if I wanted to coach another country." Woolmer said. "I also need a sabbatical, so if I do return to Warwickshire, it will not be at use it as a reference point.

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east until next March. The ECB has not made me an offer and I do not know if it can wait

Numbers game

An innovation this season is the numbering of players' shirts, which is not without its complications. England, for example, are refusing to use No 13 in the World Cup and there was much confusion in the CGU National League match at the Riverside last weekend. Durham's scoreboard operator had Mark Butcher, of Surrey, down as No 9. In the match, programme, Butcher, whose squad number is one, was No 3 and he batted with 12 on his back

Plane service The new media centre at Lord's, which will be unveiled

its uses. Often likened to an object from outer space, it will actually have more in common with conventional air-craft. Pilots coming in off Bovingdon Hold, one of four holding positions for planes approaching Heathrow, can

"Obviously it will not be of practical use in poor visibility and hence will not be an offi-cial reporting point," a spokes-man for the Civil Aviation Authority said, "but it will be a landmark for planes in the same way that the Canary Wharf tower and Wembley Stadium are at the moment."

Backing women The effervescent Frances Edmonds, the famous cricket-



Edmonds: letting go another teasing delivery

ing author, is to be proposed for membership of MCC by her husband. Phil, the new chairman of Middlesex. Will she be seconded — or perhaps blackbailed — by Mike Gatting, whom she once likened to a plumber?

"I also want to put Alexandra, my daughter, down for membership, but she is a little young," Edmonds, the former Middlesex and England all-rounder, said. "I encourage ladies to join the golf club and hotel I am developing in Kent. so, although there are occasions when men want to be oo their own, I am all for women in the Long Room, too."

Art form

A two-day ECB seminar for coaches in Birmingham, starting on June I. will include sessions on taichi, a form of martial arts that is thought to help batsmen by examining the "nature of movement, balance and breathing". And cricket is supposed to be played in the mind.

Cricket followers who would like to attend the fundraising match for Winston Davis, the former West Indies bowler who is now a tetraplegic, at Finedon, Northamptonshire, on May 23, should contact Melanie Henson on 01933 682440.

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CRICKET

to settle future with Wembley England

By RICHARD HOBSON

DOMINIC CORK wants an assurance from the England selectors that he has a future in international cricket after being omitted from the World Cup squad this summer. The Derbyshire captain denied that disruptions at the county affected his form during the Ashes tour last winter and said he was fed-up with the perception of being a poor

"I am sick of hearing that
Dominic Cork is a big spoilt
brat when I am not." he said.
"I am not in the England side at the moment because I am seen as not being good enough. But shouldn't I have been told that? If I have had my day at international level, then can somebody tell me.

"I do not want to bleed my lungs every day when there is no chance of playing for England because that is what everybody strives for. I heard that David Graveney [the chairman of selectors] was coming to talk to me, but that has not happened, and my mobile phone has been on all the time."

Cork, 27. was England's leading wicket-taker in the last World Cup and was chosen originally as a specialist oneday player. "I am not asking for people to feel sorry or think I have had a hard deal, but I know I am capable of winning matches because I have done it before," he said.

"As for being selfish, I have video tapes of me bowling with a groin strain, with the nails ripped off my toes and blood coming out of my feet. I am not the only person who has played through the pain barrier for my country - but what for? For nobody to say we will help you or stick by

Cork said that his threat to resign as Derbyshire captain did not spring from a wish to take overall control of the county. "All I wanted was a group of people working in the same direction. It was never about ultimate power, I am not a megalomaniac. The idea that Dominic Cork is running the club is absolute rubbish," he

SPORT IN BRIEF

Cork seeks | Simpson to return for cup final

RUGBY LEAGUE Robbie Simpson will miss the London Broncos' JJB Surer League game at home to Warrington Wolves on Saturday, but will be available for the Silk Cut Challenge Cup final on May I, The Rugby Football League disciplinary committee yesterday suspended the second-row forward for one match and fined him £250 for a reckless high tackle during the defeat by Wakefield Trinity last Sunday. BASKETBALL: Bob

Donewald, the controversial coach of Derby Storm, who discovered yesterday that the club were not renewing his contract, will hardly be dismayed by the decision. Less than a week ago, after Derby's exit from the **Budweiser Championship** play-offs, Donewald, who has been banned for five garnes and presided over a squad involved in the worst brawl in British basketball's history at Chester 11 weeks ago, admitted: "It's time to move on."

REAL TENNIS: Kate Leeming, of Australia, survived a testing struggle against Clare Southwell, of Great Britain, in the opening round of the Guy Salmon women's world championship at Hampton Court. Leeming, the No 8 seed, retrieved well and produced a string of unreturnable services. Sally Jones, the No 5 seed and former world champion, beat Christine Amies, of France. SQUASH: Michelle Martin, of Australia, the world No I. got herself into top gear on Monday evening to secure her fiftieth leading title on the international tour. She beat Carol Owens, her compatriot, 9-4, 9-7, 2-9, 9-4 in the final of the WISPA World Grand Prix play-offs in Hurehada, Egypt. CYCLING: Harrods was confirmed yesterday as the

third trade team from Britain in the seven-day PruTour, which starts in London on May 23. The tour ends in Edinburgh after a 730-mile route through England, Wales and Scotland.

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Robertson pursues **Olympic** dream

FROM EDWARD GORMAN SAILING CORRESPONDENT IN HYERES

SHIRLEY ROBERTSON has been sailing the tiny single-handed Europe dinghy for a very long time, yet her determination to achieve an Olympic medal in a class that has provided her with as much heartache as glory over the years remains undimmed.

Yesterday she completed a satisfactory opening phase to the defence of her otle at the Olympic Classes Regatta on the Côte d'Azur with her sixth successive top-ten finish to take her comfortably into the elite "gold fleet" for the final stages of the championship.

After a lay-off since the class world championships at Mel-bourne in January, when she was third. Robertson has arrived here more relaxed than normal and apparently the better for it. "I think I'm a more consistent sailor," the two-time Olympian who finished fourth at the Atlanta Games regatta at Savannah, said. "My sailing skills have improved tremendously — it's partly down to getting a bit older and partly down to the match-racing I've been doing recently."
But Robertson, who is now

30 and one of the oldest in the class, is going to have a tough fight on her hands to finish in the top three this week. Among her main rivals are the two Holland women, who occupy the top two places in the world rankings, Margriet Matthysse, who has scored five firsts, and Carolijn Brouwer. who has been consistently in the top ten.

In the Laser class, Ben Ainslie is having an unusual championships with capsizes in three races affecting his scoring. In the first race yesterday, the world No I and Olympic silver medal-winner was rammed by the jury boat just before the start and found himself head-to-wind as the gun went off. He recovered to finish third, but a disappointing thirteenth in race two leaves him in eighth place overall.

but whal a cast. And what a

finish. Three men and a boy, and the boy upstaged the lot of them. Today, Sergio Garcia will play his first round as a professional in the pro-am on the eve of the Spanish Open at El Prat and the eyes of golfing Spain — the golfing world, even—will be on him. But yesterday there was time for a spot of relaxation with a trio of famous compatriots and he

helped the greatest one of them all to win the money. Garcia, 19, was playing with Severiano Ballesteros against José María Olazábal and Miguel Angel Jiménez, and to most young men of his age, playing with two Masters From Mel Webb in Barcelona

Garcia earns his promotion

champions and a Ryder Cup vice-captain would have reduced them to quivering in-

Not this boy, not the one they call "El Nino". As the four approached the last green he was laughing and joking with the others, even though he had missed the green.

No matter. García walked to his ball, sized up the shot and, from 50 feet and more, chipped. In, at the last roll. García exchanged a mildly teros and walked off, his last round of golf as an amateur

The incident, if not the situation, took the mind back to another young man chipping in with the last amateur stroke of his life. Garda will be hoping to make a better start than Justin Rose and Ballesteros, for one, was bullish about the young pretender's chances.

"I predict that he will have a great career and that one day he will be a Masters champi on," he said. "My message to him is to say 'no' as many times as he can. He must not listen to anybody else - he should be Sergio Garcia always."

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-5 frouble Ahead, 2-1 High in The Clouds, 10-1 Stash The Cash, 12-1 others.

4.25 NEW PLAN FURNITURE AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,981: 3m 110yd] (15)

1 1625 PLUMBOB 23 (BF.6.5) L Lungo 10-11-10 ... A J Martin 2 010- STOCK OPTION 389 (5) Mrs J Store 6-11-7 ... J Nicholi 3 400 NY HOUSE 16 (B.T.D.8.5) J J O'Neil 11-11-5 ... S Olbey (7) 4 F-24 MOWITE CHEST A 158 (S) Mrs S Bradburne 6-11-2 M Bradburne 5-2-PO JAMES THE FRIST 16 (D.F.0.5) E W Tiers 11-11-7 P Fathey (5) 5 3054 ONYOUROWN 23 (F.5) J HOWARD JOHNSON 6-10-7 ... J Crowley 7 3442 CLACUAL DANGER 23 (D.5) L Lungo 6-10-5 ... B Gibroun (3) 8 396F HUSO 329 (F.5) H Orde-Powlett (1-10-4 ... W Orde-Powlett (1-10-4 ... W Orde-Powlett (1-10-4 ... Mrs D PROBON 10 3104 LANDALAME 41 (S) D WINNIAMS 7-10-1 ... K Remytck (7) 18 022-6 RUBBER 16 (D.D.F.6.5) R HOWD 3-10-1 ... K Remytck (7) 11 022- SAXON MEAD 227 (F) P HODDE 3-10-1 ... Mrs C Foot (6) 12 6541 LATIN LEADER 30 (B.F.0.S) C Paires 9-10-0 ... A Dempsey 14 4532 PESSMISSIC DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 DOCK 16 (8) Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 Thompson 6-10-0 ... C Res (3) 6-500 Mrs 0 4-1 Glacial Dancer, 5-1 Monre Cresta, 11-2 Onyourown, 8-1 Ruter, 9-1 others

4.55 BALLATHIE HOUSE HOTEL HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,571: 2m 110yd) (8)

5-2 Eastern Project, 7-2 Beginnal, 5-1 Victor (accilo, Cinema Paradico, 6-1 others.

5.25 PARTY HAS STARTED MURRAYSHALL HOTEL MAIDEN HURDLE (Div II: £2,580: 2m 4l 110yd) (12)

1 - PF CHERGAN 26 (S) Mrs S Brachume 6-11-7 Mr M Brachume (3)
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1 - GRASP THE NETTLE 139 (6.5) K Batley 7-11-7 N Williamson
1 Mr (1005-1158-1900) Mrs V Williamson 10-11-7 Reduction
1 A 2033 LOBENICAL ONG 16 N Anchorts 5-11-7 A Doubton
5 F14 MCK MCCANN 15 (T.S) A Mrs Mr (ne) 6-11-7 A Doubton
6 3P55 OLLES BOY 30 J Bracks 8-11-7 C McCompack (3)
7 P24S STONEHUL 16 (S) J Howard Johnson 6-11-7 A P McCompack
6 000 WRTHOUS CIRCLE 51 B Elison 5-11-7 N Homodis (3)
9 00 WRTHOUS CIRCLE 51 B Elison 5-11-7 N Homodis (3)
10 P09 BUTTERNUT SAL 9 D Lamb 8-11-2 S Durach
11 P000 PHARKILA 40 Mrs L Russett 8-11-2 S Durach
12 3320 WILLA THYME 16 H Alan 5-11-2 B Storry
14 Michaelane Sal 7-2 Grann The Neetle 4-11 Inhibitionalean 8-1 offers 2-1 Knightstredge Star, 7-2 Grazp The Nestle, 4-1 Lobbingalong, 8-1 others.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: EPSOM: 2.05 Ron's Pet. CATTERICK: 2.30 French Mystery. PERTH: 4.55 Common Sound, Falcon Du Coteau. 5.25 Grasp The Nettle, TOWCESTER: 2.10 Starmford Hill, Miss Chiquita 2.40 Red River. 3.15 Bad Bertirch, Side On, Redgrave Wolf. 3.45 Grecian Lark 4.20 Mine's An Ace.

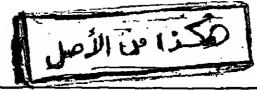
CATTERICK

MEETING POINTS

THE TIMES GUIDE TO THE GOING TODAY

EARLY BIRD

Best value this morning



RACING: LEADING JOCKEY RETURNS TO THE SADDLE AFTER ESCAPING JAIL SENTENCE

Williamson revels in freedom

By Alan Lee RACING CORRESPONDENT

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NORMAN WILLIAMSON finished a tailed-off last on his first ride at Chepstow yesterday and returned caked in mud. The weather was foul. the racing mediocre but Williamson was pleased to be there, relieved to be free to be there. For a man who might have spent the remaining big days of the jumps season in jail, he suddenly has a lot to look forward to.

At Gloucester magistrates court on Monday. Williamson was described as "full of remorse and embarrassment" about the drink-driving offence that, it was said by the court chairman, escaped a prison sentence "by whisker". The memory plainly made him uncomfortable yesterday but, after two months of anxiety, at least he can now make his plans with confidence.

in the short term, these involve the enviable ride on Betty's Boy, for Kim Bailey, in the Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown on Saturday, and a reunion with Direct Route an impressive winner at Aintree - in the BMW Chase at Punchestown next Tuesday. The 30-year-old also has some good rides at the Perth festival, which begins today.

"I am just glad the ordeal is over," Williamson said of his court case. "It could have been a lot worse -- I might have hit somebody - and t knew there was a chance I could go to prison. We all do silly things sometimes. It was a lesson to me and I'm glad to be back

riding."
This has been a season of sensitive decisions for Williamson, whose principal stables have frequently clashed. He

2.05 THE FUGATIVE (nap)

Timekeeper's top rating: 2.35 DALIAPOUR.

2.05 J & E HALL HÄNDICAP (E7,068: 6f) (16 runners)

2.35 SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS BLUE RIBAND

TRIAL STAKES (3-Y-0: £8,760: 1m 2! 18yd) (5 runners)

3.10 STANLEY RACING GREAT METROPOLITAN HANDICAP (£10,031: 1m 4f 10yd) (13 lunners)

4.45 CALLDAT SEVENTEEN (nap).

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES)

DRAW: 5F. HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.35 Daliapour

3.10 Red Ramona



Senor El Betrutti will be ridden by Mick Fitzgerald in the Whitbread Gold Cup on Saturday

confirmed that he is set to partner Betty's Boy, one of two Bailey runners in the Whitbread, ahead of either General Wolfe or The Outback Way for

Venetia Williams. Victory for Betty's Boy, a late defector from the Grand National, would give a late

TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

EPSOM:

3.45 Kewarra (nb)

4.45 Elba Magic

4.15 Border Prince

ROB WRIGHT

Our Newmarket correspondent: 2.35 Daliapour. 3.10 Banbury.

BETTING 9-2 Switch Wars, 7-1 Twice As Sharp, 8-1 White Emir, Blumpett Land, 10-1 Halmanerrat, The Fugative 12-1 Strangee, Joinette, Carton, 14-1 Clef Of Sher, Alpen Wolf, Wory David, Ron's Pet, 20-1 others.

1998 MARENGO 4-7-10 J Outon (11-2) J Alectural 11 ran

1998; THE GLOW-WORM 8-12 M Hills [11-0 lav] 6 Hills 5 ran

1998: THE GLOW-WORM 8-12 M Hills 111-0 lav) 6 Hills 5 am

DALAPOUR has to concede 4lb to lettow Derby enhant
Lightning Arrow but can preve equal to the task. A
beautifully bred cott by Sadler's Wells out of a high-class and
well-retared dam, Luca Cumani's charge was seen at his best last year when his stamma was brought
into play on soft ground in the Insted Automa States at Ascol 11ng in October, Soon at this head of
alians, ne drew clear firstide the distance to comprehensively reverse earlier Newbury placings with
Bootman and premises to do even better stepped up in distance the year, Lightning Arrow is held in
high enterm by his tramer, John Duntop, and was value for hinge the 2'd-winding margo when beating
School tell at Newmarkel 11m0 last October. He should also progress further over middle-distances.
Helvettus has the benefit of, a race behind him this year, finishing a respectable 8's liquith of live to
Glanks at Kemplon (1m 20, but needs to find a late amount of improvement in figure here. Obsolic
Dancer, 7's lifth to Admaan in Issed company at Newmarkel (1m 2") in October, and Trio. 4%1 third to
Bring Sweets at Doncaster (1m) after limishing behind the selection at Newbury, complete the fine-up.

fillip to Bailey, unusually low in the trainers' list with only 34 winners. "It's been a season I would wish to forget," Bailey said with feeling yesterday. "Betty's Boy looked like be-

ing very special in his novice days but he has been a hard horse to train and he's had a lot of leg problems. He's been fine since winning at Chelten-ham, though, and he will only be 4lb out of the handicap at Sandown, so we've got to be hopeful."

While Bailey, whose other runner Cariboo Gold will be ridden by Rupert Wakley. hopes for drier weather up to the weekend, it may take another deluge to persuade Williams to run General Wolfe. "I can't say if he runs at the moment but it will partly be down to the ground," she said yesterday.

Susan Nock, the Gloucestershire permit holder, has expressed her dismay at the suspension of Graham Bradlev's licence but she has now obtained a suitable substitute for her stable star. Senor El Betrutti. "I have been offered Mick Fitzgerald for the Whitbread and I'm very happy with that," Mrs Nock said.

Richard Dunwoody will partner Nahthen Lad, potentially Jenny Pitman's last big winner before retirement. while Adrian Maguire, who won the race on Call It A Day last season, is likely to ride Major Bell for Alistair Whilians. "We have an alternative at Perth on Friday but I am favouring Sandown," Whillans said

Tony McCoy, who will probably ride Jathib ahead of Martin Pipe's other runner. Cyborgo, already has his jockeys' title in safe keeping but he shows no sign of easing up. His win on Belmorebruno yesterday rates as one of the strongest, most persistent rides of the season.

Away from the racecourse, the British Horseracing Board yesterday described the suggestion that there will be 18 consecutive racing Sundays next year as "speculation". It is, however, certainly their intention to maximise the potential of summer Sundays and from the viewpoint of attracting new and younger racegoers, not before time. Unlike Williamson, few would have chosen to be at Chepstow yesterday.

Pontefract

Going: soft
2.20 (1m 2) 6ych 1, Homesteud (I. Newman,
10-1); 2, Johnnis: The Jokes (16-1); 3, Classic
Colucus (5)-1, 4, Beau Febreto (13-1); Es Go
100-90 lev. 17 rsn. NF Seconds Austy, 6(, 11);
R Hannon, Tote; CS-60; E2-20, E2-90, E2-60,
E2-40 DF \$41.20 CSF: £150,02 Treact
£1,590,32

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

C1,090.32, 2.20 (8) 1, Birchwood Sun (J Weever, 10-1); 2, Dandy Regent (33-1), 3, Principal Boy [11-1], Mego Power, 100-30 lay, 18 ren 3-4, 19, M Doots, Tote, C11.50; C3.10, C18.00, C4.00, DF C17.250 CSF: C508 82, 2.20 Itm 2f 6yd) 1, Bengalione (K Fellon, 18-1); 2, Trueni (8-13 lay); 3, Callery Cod (10-1), 6 ran, NR Tarmani, N, 1-4, 8 Helt Tests; 53, 24, 52, 51, 10, E7, 70, DF 57, 20 CSF: C23.70.

CSF: £23.70.
3.50 (1m 2) 6yd) 1. Cagine (S Drowne, 7-2 co-fav), 2, Sorrayda (11-2); 3, Abysan (7-2 co-fax), Glance (6th) 7-2 co-fax), B ran, 1-5, 4) G Badding Tote £4.30, £1.50, £1.50, £2.00 DF, £14.40 CSF £22.19 Easing Toke 12-30, C1-30, C1-30, L2-00 DF-C14-40 CSF 522.19
4.20 (1m 4yd) 1, Mountains Lad (D Holland, 10-11, 2, Cardron (10-1); 3, Mawingo 114-11; 4, Holy Smoke (100-30 fm) 19 rat. NR: Hyde Park. 14, 2, 8 McAckhon Toke 512.60; 62-90, C2-10, E1-30, E1-30, DF-E33, 10, Toke Trilecta. E1-496-90. CSF; E100.10 Tocast 51, 352.16. 450 gp. 11/22yd) 1, Okt Hush Wiley (A Culhand, 3-1 fant); 2, Jamascan Fischt (10-1); 3, Mazzenha (12-1); 4, Mudlerk (12-1); 16 fm. NR Inckana Princesa. 14, 11, May M Pasclay Toke 54-30; E1-30, E1-30, E2-30 DF-C19 70, CSF; E27-66 Tocast E2-34 IB Cardron Words (13-6 fm); 8 ma. NR: Mass Shema. 14, 42. R Cuest Tox. E335.50; E3-90, E1-30, E1-10, DF: 100-60 CSF; E29-73.
Jackpot not won (pool of E178,833.78 carried locward to Epsom today).
FLOIGEST 10-10

Folkestone Golfrey Soft
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2.00 (5) 1, Chorleigh Keary (J F Egan,
10-1); 2, Physics (3-1), 3, Asberna Wurley
(3-1), Baylown Harmony (5th) 11-4 lay 7 ran,
NR Run Forrest 4t, nk J Moore Tole: C10 10:
22-90 (6) 1, Nileadon Rock (S Sanders, 10-1),
2, Cool Temper (14-1), 3, Emmurst Boy (7-3),
Berabaschi 2-1 law 18 ran, 8, 39. J Toller
Tole: C13 00; C3.70, C3.50, C2.40 DF, C81 60,
CSF: C156 37,
3.00 (1m 7/ 92yd) 1, Needwood Spirit (S
Sanders, 9-2, 2, Shepherds Rest (7-1), 3,
Worksonkiolitus (2-1 law) 13 ran, 14, nk B
Morgan, Toter C5 90; C2.50, C2.10 DF,
C22 40 CSF 536.63 Thicas, E80.21
3.50 (7) 1, Contrary Many (A-Clark, 6-1); 2, In-

22.40 CSF 536.93 Tricest. 590.21
2.30 (7) 1. Contrary Nary (A Clark, 9-1); 2. Indian Baze (9-2); 3, Welcome Surset (5-1). Outsimuseene (Stin 7-4 Iav. 12 ran. 14. M. J. Alenharst 70a. 911 30; 5290. 6200, 61.50 DF 520 10. CSF 543.48
4.00 (7) 1. Relinbow Homeo (R. Cochrane, 14-1); 2. Companion Lady 14-1), 3. Count Frederick (33-1) Democracy (6th) 8-4 fav. 6 ran. 61. 14. J. arms Poutton. Total. 523.90, 62.80, 51.60, 64.10. DF: 505.916.91 64.80. 70. 1. Relinbold (9) EF: 505.16

E1 60, E4.10. DF: E16 90 CSF: E83.16
4.00 (76 1, Katinatal (R Firech, 8-11 tay); 2.
Compensation (3-1); 3. Heymakar 11 14-11; 7
ran NR: Mediow Miss. 81, rk. 1. Curment Tote
E1 90; E1.60, E1.10. DF: E2.20 CSF: E3.34.
6.05 (11m 46) 1, Goldten Ace (S Carson, 6-1),
2. Doctor Bravious (10-1); 3. Pey Homage
(14-1). Imported Prince 9-4 tay 13 ran. NR: E9terete 3. 24; R Spicer. Tote (3.10, 24.4),
E2.20, E4.00. DF: E3.02.0. CSF: E84.55. Thcest: E769.54
6.35 (1m 11 48);(1) 1, Goodbye Goldstones
(F Nonon, 12-1); 2. Swempy (7-1); 3. Bernopstone Pond (35-1). Lucky Nerro 2-1 iay 14
ran. NR: Ceder Wells. 6, 34, T Naughton.
Tote: E1.360; C3.30, 25.20, C4.80 DF: C40.20
CSF: E87.29 Tricest: E2.513.04
Pietaspot: E143.00.
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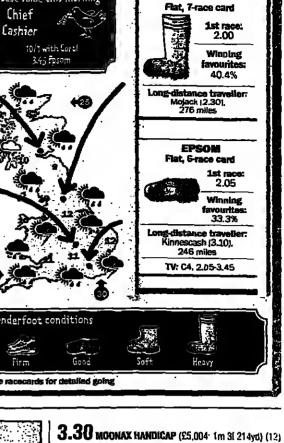
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Going: heavy
2:19 (2m #1 10)rd hdie) 1. Saint Cacillie (1. Cumma: 12-1), 2. Bollynabragget (13-2), 3. Comiche (7-2), Aelha Corquest (4m) 5-4 lav 11 ran 9; 4. B. Eckley, Tote £7 10, 22.80. ct 30, £1 40, DF £22.20, CSF, £7 13, 2. 80. ct 30, £1 40, DF £22.20, CSF, £7 13, 2. 80. ct 30, £1 40, DF £22.20, CSF, £7 13, 2. 40, Em ch 1); 1. Behavenbruse (4. P. McCoy, 12-11; 2. Beroncelli (7-1), 3. See Enough (10-1), Mejors Legaty 5-1 lav. 10 ran 8; 13 M Pipe Tote £13.80; \$2.10, £1 70, 12.60, DF £32.80 CSF; £83 19. Theast £795.37.
3.10 (3m ch 1), 1. Mary Down Jones (Mr O O'Mears, 9-11; 2. Mater Horato (5-1), 4-ay; 3. Safton Moss (20-1); Merry Socials Blue 5-1 ja. tav. 17 ran. NR Mr Mad. 21, 29. Mrs L Goideworthy Tote, £12.50; £3 60, £3 00, £3 10 DF. £10.20 CSF; £4 701.
3.40 (2m 110); Chelle (1, Astantic Miles (D Sailer 1.11-4); 2. The Brewmester (10-1); 3, Krabloonk (3-1). Warm Spell (4th) 7-4 lav. 6 ran. NR; Whichoo, 7, 2-1, 8 Milliment (10-5); 5. Ct 80, £1 80, ETRU UT: 25 NO CET: ETTUE. Placepot: \$22,015.40 - part won (pool of \$10,253.76 carried forward to Epsont to-day). Guadpot: \$782.60.

TOWCESTER SPECIALISTS

TRANSERS: Mrs C Balloy, 12 sennesh from 17 uniners. 70.6%; Mrs M Jones, 6 from 28, 28.6%, N Henderson, 9 from 40, 22.5%, Mrs J Primen, 11 from 51, 21 ffs, Mrs S T Derson, 4 from 19, 21 1%, J S Moore, 5 from 25, 20.0%. JOCKPTS: 8 Polloct: 9 storpes kom 16 rides, 56.3%, M Fizzpeald, 15 from 70, 21.4%, J Ma-ger, 5 from 25, 20.0%, A Thomton, 12 from 53, 19.0%, D Gallapher, 9 from 57, 15.8%, R Firstant, 5 from 35, 14.3%.



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ROB WRIGHT 2.00 Palacegate Touch 3.30 Ardleigh Charmer

4.00 Doonarea 2.30 Abraka 4.35 Picture Puzzle 3.00 Sharp Edge 5.05 Oriel Star

GOING: SOFT. HEAVY IN PLACES (7.30AM INSPECTION) ORAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.00 IVAN LUIS APPRENTICES CLASSIFIED STAKES (£2,066: 5f 212yd) (14 nunners) 1 (12) 3315 PALACEGATE TOUCH 25 (B.BF.CD.F.G.S) J Borry 9-9-11 70 P Bradiery (3) 70 2 (7) 8050 SDUPE CORRIE 0 (B.DS.) D Chapman 7-9-8 D Cason (3) 86 3 (6) 00-0 BERNARDO BELLOTTO 21 (D.G.) D Nicrolis 4-8-5 C P

P Clarke (5) 75
4 (3) 4006 BLUSHING GRENADIER 2 (B,D,F,G,S) S Bowling 7-9-5
5 (11) 00-0 JUST 808 6 (D,F,G,S) S Kettlewell 10-9-5 R REPPRINC: 82
(5) 5330 MINCED DOUBLE 11 (V,D) Mrs N Macauley 5-9-5 A Poll 80
7 (4) 0053 SAN MICHEL 11 (B,C) J Fre 7-9-5 ... R Winston 63
8 (6) 400- PYCCOLO CATIVO 146 (BF,G,S) Mrs 6 Rest 4-9-2
Appele Native (5) RET 7-2 Bernardo Bellosm, 5-1 Squire Conie, 7-1 Oil Hire. 6-1 Palacegate Touch, Just Bob, San Mitchel, 10-1 Blushing Grenadler, 12-1 others.

2.30 WOT-IF-WE SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0: £1,912: 5f) (10)

HANDSOME DINCS M W Exserby 8-17
ARRAKA J Warnwight B-6
BLIE SAPPHARE D Besier 8-6
PRENCH MYSTERY 26 (4) P Exser 8-6
D HRENCH MYSTERY 26 (4) P Exser 8-6
LADY SANDHOWICH R Fabry 8-5
D MELODIC HEIGHTS 25 J Berry 8-6
MOLACK W 6 M Tumer 8-6
SCHATZI D Moleti 8-6 11-10 Fodes, 4-1 Mojack, 5-1 Metodic Helphis, 10-1 Lady Sandrovitch, 14-1 Franch Mystery, 16-1 Blue Sapphire, Hurtle, 25-1 others.

3.00 LEVY ROARD SPRING HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £2,915: 71) (18)

5-2 Guest Ol Hynour, 7-1 Sharp Edge Boy, 8-1 Hyddoga, 10-1 Pandjojoe, 12-1 Grizelda, 14-1 Springs Nobleguest, Eisae Barntord, Rusky Way, Cyro, 16-1 others.

1 (1) 40-1 KATHRYN'B PET 21 (C.D.D.S) Mrs M Reveley 6-9-10 2 (12) DO3- CRYSTAL FALLS 214 (D.F.G.) 1 Easterly 6-9.7 C. Durited 3 (10) 210- FaLM, 124 (D.F.G.S) Mis. A Symbonic 6-9.7 C. Durited 4 (8) 30-0 COLWAY RITZ 1D (6.5) W Store 5-9.7 T. Wildstards 5 (3) 0-21 ANDLEIGH CHARMER 11 D.S. C Deys. 4-9.5 R French 6 (4) DO3- HOUSE OF DREAMS 15J (CD.F.G.S.) G. M Moore 7-9.3 6 (4) 100- HOUSE OF DREAMS 15./ (CD.F.G.S) G M Moore ?-9-3.

7 (6) 0-04 ASPRANT DANCER 16 (S) M Bell 4-8-13 ... M Fenton B (S) 2023 ALDWYCH ARROW 14 (F.S) M Beelly 4-8-10 J Carroll 9 (11) 50-0 THE PRESIDENT 14 (1) Mr. M Beerley 4-8-7 J Faming 10 (9) 05-0 HASTA LA WISTA 21 (8,CD) M W Exzlethy 9-8-6 T Lucas 11 (7) 400- FREE 67.1 Mrs M Reveley 4-8-3 ... Date Gloson 12 (2) 150- TREASURE ISLAMD 44J (S) F Murphy 4-8-0 I. Chamock

4.00 RICHMOND CONDITIONS STAKES (3-Y-O; £6,404: 1m 3l 214yd) (4)

1 (3) 1 DOONAREE 16 (D.S.) M. Johnston 9-4 D. Holland (77) 2 (2) 66-1 TOTO CASLO 13 (D.G.) 8 Hills 9-4 K. Darley 68 3 (1) 04-0 LARIMAR BAY 18 W Restourne 8-12 ... T G McLauphile (4) 3110 Westfern COMMAND 21 (BF, D) Max N Macadey 6-12

4.35 PRINCE OF MY HEART MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £2,723: 7f) (9)

1	900	63-2 GIMMER SAM 21 (BF) 6 Hulls 9-0	1
	(E)	D60- THE HAKA 183 M Dads 9-0	17
	500E	O- PICTURE PUZZLE 166 W Hopps 6-9	1
1-3		er Sam, 8-1 Picture Puzzle, 10-1 Mister Mai, 14-1 pihers.	

5.05 WHITE MUZZLE HANDICAP (2-Y-0; £1,912; 5f) (18)

6-1 Bevelena, 8-1 Bolifa Roberta, Sound's Ace, 10-1 Charlie Cal., 12-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRANSERS J Glovet . 5 wassers from 12 runners. 41.7%. B Hels., 18 iron. 49, 36 7%. 1 Beron. 12 from 55, 21 84. J Berry., 28 from 15, 18 5%, 9 Catver. 4 from 2. J B. 7%. Mis M Renetey, 13 from 77, 18 9%. J GCNEYS Mimberley Hart, 3 warners from 6 rates, 50 0%, 0 Holtand, 7 from 2, 41 %, 1 L yrick 9 from 41, 32 D%. N Darley, 25 from 133, 18 8%, J Egan. 7 from 36, 14 J S.C. L berkin. 6 from 44, 13 6%.

TOWO STEEL ST

ROB WRIGHT 2.10 Starriford Hill 3.45 Trade Dispute 2.40 The Campdonian
4.20 Gale Toi
4.50 Take My Side 3.15 Come On Eilish 5.20 Summer Flower

2.10 TOWCESTER MEANS BUSINESS NOVICES

Carl Evans: 3.45 Trade Dispute. 4.20 Gale Toi.

SELLING HURDLE (£1,786: 2m) (18 lunners) SELLING HURDLE (£1,786: 2m) (18 lumners)

1 2922 INCLINATION 16 (8F.5) Mrs. Levell 5-11-2. Mr S Stronge (7)

2 0310 STAMFRON HULL 16 (8 BF.5) Mrs. Levell 5-11-1. ... R Greene
3 0-00 CHADMICK BANK 103 6 McCourt 5-11-0 ... E Hesband
4 0 DOCTOR HICKS 18 L Wordingham 5-11-0 ... S Corran
5 0-0P MONTONE 16 Mrs C Hebs 9-11-0 ... M Ralphilly (7)
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2.40 TOWGESTER RACECOURSE NOVICES CHASE

(Div (: \$2,635: 2m 6f) (10) 6-4 The Caropdonan, 9-2 Orphan Sps. 6-) Murbery, 7-1 Durnicks, Country, 10-1 The Lady Scores, National Fisson, 14-1 Coulin Lock, 18-1 others.

3.15 WINNING FORMULA FOR WEDDINGS NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,863: 2m 5f) (18)

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1 58P6 DERRA SLEN 18 N Teleton-Davies 5-11-10 ... C. Maude
2 -545 TROUBLED MAIN 15 M Herotecon 8-11-7 ... M. A Fizgerald
3 5452 ROUBLED MAIN 15 M Herotecon 8-11-7 ... R. Thomton
4 1295 TYLLD STEAMER 10 (S) D Wollands 7-11-6 B. Powell
5 4510 WESTCOAST 28 (B.D.S.) M Tale 6-11-4 ... J Mappind (7)
6 POS DTAGO HEIGHTS 16 Mrs. J Planta 7-11-6 A Thomton
7 550P BAD BESTRICH 55 NF.ES G.Rize 8-10-10 ... J Tizzand
6 4582 ROYAL RULER 8 J J Génde 8-10-10 P Hide
9 0POD DEWARRATTIN (6 (V) D Thom 6-10-8 MR F Forthstal (5)
10 PO4P BROWN SEAL 16 Mrs. M Jones 7-10-8 D Gallaptier
12 D255 REDIGRAVE WOLF 18 (S) N Bashop 6-10-7 R Britant
13 D066 FOGEY 22 I MOTOR 6-10-5 D Gallaptier
14 1P04 COME OM PELISH 41 (CD.S.) J WESS 6-10-3 M MRSTON
16 -000 PROLING AGENCY 111 Mrs. S Lamymian 6-10-3 M MRSTON
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3.45 LAND ROVER GENTLEMANS CHAMPIONSHIP HUNTERS CHASE (£4,124: 3m 1f) (8)

1 3111 TRADE DISPUTE 16 (D.F.G.S) E W Iver 7-12-7 Mr G Tuer (*)
2 1312 WINTER BELLE 24P (B.BF.D.G.S) Mss J Playeon 11-12-7
3P 111 AVOSTAR 16 (B.CD.G.S) Mss C Balvey 17-12-4 ... Mr & Pollock
4 3112 LIE DETECTOR 10P (F.G. Jun Tiez-Robb 11-12-4 Mr J Gasper (*)
5 PP51 MRLL OTHER RASS 11P (T.C.F.G) N Konj 10-12-4 Mr N Kong (*)
6 U-11 BAGALINO 10P (F.G.S) T Focate 9-11-9 Mr R Bevis (*)
7 2921 GRECIAN LARK 4P (B.F.G.S) G J 1ary 11-11-9 Mr G Tarry (*)
8 1115 KNIGSHT OF PASSION 32P (BF.G.S) F Tezzad 7-11-9

Mr M G Miller (*) 9-4 Trade Dispute, 7-2 Avastar, 9-2 Bagaino, 8-1 Aright Of Passion, 8-1 Grecian Laik, 12-1 Winser Belle, Lie Detector, 14-1 Mill D'The Rags.

4.20 HARTWELL LAND ROVER HUNTERS CHASE (£1,702: 2m 110yd) (16)

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1 4U10 BALE TOI 13 (D.G.S) Mesc C Eliast 10-12-5 ... Mr P York 17)

2 -OPP ARABIAN BOLD 21 (T.D.F.G.S) F Mathews 11-12-0 Mr P Craimer (7)

3 PU32 CONTI D'ESTRUAN. 21 (F.B) Mr. S Mainer 9-12-0 Mr T Smith (6)

4 /229 FORMAL INVITATION 13 (D.F.6) D Maybury 10-12-0

Mr J M Pritchard (3)

0 P220 HALHAM 1ARN 21 (7.D.S) D Brown 9-12-0 Mr A Gurdes-Jones (3)

6 1123 HEE'S A DANCER 1119 (SP.D.F.G.S) R Wilcox, 7-12-0

Mr D S Jones (3)

7 5444 ADCK THE TO 109 (C.G.S.) J Connect 11-12-0 Mr D Storate (7)

9 3-PP MINE'S AN ACE 329 (B.G.D.F.G.S) Mrs R Vickery 13-12-0

10 5143 PREMIER REST 119 (S) N Pewto 10-12-0 Mr C Pewtor (7)

11 PPP4 RIST GENT 109 (D.F.S) S Levis 11-12-0 Mr C R Wesvor (5)

12 0-94 SAVUTI 16 (F.B) 6 Brown 10-12-0 Mr T Conney (3)

13 U166 SUPER SHARP 187 (D.F.G) M Evente 11-12-0 Mr D Storage (3)

14 1-PP WILL IT (AST 15 (S) Mr Mill 3-11-9 ... Mr S Morres (7)

15 P443 CAMDLE GLOW (09 (F.S) P Hatchardon 11-11-9 Mr S Morres (7)

10 UPP WILL IT (AST 15 (S) Mr Mill 3-11-9 ... Mr H Willow (7)

11-4 Formal Invision, 7-2 Conti D'Estruage, 4-1 Sale Vol. 8-1 Nec's A Dancer. 11-4 Formal Invitation, 7-2 Conti D'estruval, 4-1 Gale Yor, 8-1 Hee's A Dancer. 12-1 Mane's An Ace, 14-1 Rustic Gent, 18-1 Hallham Tain, Jack The 1d, Suiper Starp, Candle Glow, 20-1 others

4.50 TOWCESTER RACECOURSE NOVICES CHASE (Div II: £2,616: 2m 6f) (9)

5.20 TOWCESTER FOR CONFERENCES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,933: 2m) (17)

9-2 Prancing Blade, 5-1 Summer Flower, 11-2 Dunston BHI, 7-1 Whid Hadeel 8-1 Humstane Jane, 10-1 Mershigher, Chief Mouse, 12-1 others.

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HANDICAP [SHOWCASE RACE AND TOTE TRIFECTA RACE] (£10,553: 1m 2f 18yd) (14 numers)

READING THE RACECARD (....

103 (12) 0-0432 GDDD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 _____B West (4) 88

Kowarra sprung a 20-1 surprise when landing this prize on his supportance lest season and, off a 16 lower mark, mentice is for ZURS, who ran a cracker on his comeback at Doncaster (1m) when just edged out by Bomb Alaska. The winner handed the form by winning the Spring Cup at Newbury last Saturday and, off a mark just 38 higher, zur looks bound to give a good account over a tiny which suits him just as well. Chief Cashier scored hince over course and distance last season and, if from hundling, ran a good cashier scored hince over course and distance last season and, if from hundling, ran a good race in deletal at Warrick, last month. On the second occasion he won here, in September, Chief cashier sead Zurs 244 back in third, but the selection — who was running so strongly at the finish — gets a 6th pull and can turn the tables. Shadood (30o higher than when winning her on Detry day). Dower House (flathered when fourth in the Earl Of Setton States Latest), Putrua (won the maxiler) on this cash strength, or surproves on easy ground, while Dancing Phantom, sold relatively cheaptly in October given his level of form, is best watched on his first start for new connections flats tacks a recent on but has move to recommend him than Royal Annaetito, who looks up against it under his big weight. Estitizat and Roborant have not distinguished themselves over timber recently. 1988: KEWARRA 4-9-2 1 Sprake (20-1) B Millimen 15 ran

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Further rain could prompt those drawn high to tack over to the
stands: rail in search of better ground. BLUNDELL LANE,
drawn 16 of 16, is best positioned to capitalise on any such
advantage and deserves a sloce of luch after mining well from a poor draw at Kempton (6) hast time,
inishing 5-14 eighth of 23 to Passion For Lits with Twice As Starp (same terms) another 44 beach in
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(£4,280: 1m 114yd) (16 lunners) 501 502 503 (15) 505 114 506 11 509 11 511 512 513 515 516 (13) 516 (13)

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In Balding won this with Pubma 12 months ago and should
be on the target this time via BORDER PRINCE (nap). The
son of Selbrit showed plenty of promise on his final start as a
invenile (soft to Mutakwerq in 6 big field at Newmarket) and shaped like a guaranteed future winner on
his cometizack at Kempton (7) when numbing on strongly to be 918 second to Surprise Encounter. This
extra lat inony will suit and, given that none of his most look out of the ordinary, he looks something of a
beniler. Sole Stronger, his stablemate, is thely to be seen to better advantage when field over farther so
the one for the increase implified be fusiter. He was given a sympathicit introduction at Leleaster less term
and, given his stable's necord, is the type to save that form well behind. Greenstone showed ability in
four starts last term and finished off her campaign with a creditable fourth to Faggrand loads at Newton, However, she is only small and lacks stong. Evergreen Venture is better fored than most and was not
entirely disgraced behind Luight at Newtonarien (67) in July. Victory Star is a half-brother to three
winners, but he will be malong a belated debut and has already been gelded.

4.45 RAC CLASSIFIED STAKES (£4,338: 1m 114yd) (15 runners)

MONTECRISTO has an excellent wins-to-runs ratio and showed ins. Riving for Episem and an easy surface when heating Galepino by a commortable 31 over course and distance (soft) Galepino by a commortable 31 over course and distance (soft) (and 1) episem and an easy surface when heating Galepino by a commortable 31 over course and distance (soft) (and 1) episember heating and a constance (soft) (and 1) episember heating and a constance (soft) (and 1) episember heating of 93 tooks plenty (and 1) episember heating and a revised rating of 93 tooks plenty ingle enough. Red Rammona makes more appetal. Formerly trained by Roger Charlion, he showed that their were races to be even with him off this sort of mark when invishing under 11 fifth of 23 to Yasanas there were races to be even with him off this sort of mark when limitishing under 11 fifth of 23 to Yasanas there were races to be even with him off this sort of mark when limitishing under 11 fifth of 23 to Yasanas (heating the Proceeding Recommon with the November Handicap of trainer Michael Bell's string when bearing Reundow Ways 31 at confirmed the present wellbeing of trainer Michael Bell's string when bearing Reundow Ways 31 at confirmed the present well-being of trainer Michael Bell's string when bearing Reundow Ways 31 at confirmed the present well-being of trainer Michael Bell's string when bearing Reundow Ways 31 at confirmed the present when the present of the trainer and the pre 1938: GEE BEE DREAM 4-9-5 D Sweeney (3-1 lav) A Jarvis 7 tao

Stoppes Brow has been in great heart on the all-weather, wirring here at Lingsteld recently with authority. He should make a hold bild under his 7th claimer but it could be that his stablement. B El, mining his first run for Gary Moore and ridden by Jeson Wearer, plays the leading role. The low-year-old, who was with Barry Hills last term, lacked of last season with an emphasizing the basy ground. He tailed to add to that tally had was den highly hird and raisely got the easy ground he towers. Underfoot conditions should be ideal here and this opposition lacks strength in depth. Peaceful Sarah is feared mast. The daughter of Sharpa, winner of a maden here last Angus! (71), shaped well on hie return when a close fifth to Borth Alaska on easy ground at Doncaster before discoporating on taster going at Locaster last time. She with appreciate any further rain. Woone Lass and Elba Magic both ran creditably on their reappearances (at Nothingtom and Locaster inspectively), while the booking of Frankie Dethori for Full Egallia, who broke his duck on soil ground at Brighton (61) in November, catches the eye.

☐ The meeting at Catterick today is subject to a 7.30am inspection. The going at the North Yorkshire track was described yesterday as soft, heavy in places. John Gundill, the clerk of the course, said: "We are raceable at the moment but as much as a further mich and a half is forecast to fall between now and tomorrow morning. Given that water is just beginning to stand on parts of the track it makes sense to inspect."



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SEPTEMBER US v Europe Ryder Cup Golf Sky Sports 1



OCTOBER Super League Grand Final live from Old Trafford Sky Sports 1



NOVEMBER European Tour Golf Johnnie Walker Classic Sky Sports 1 and 3



DECEMBER South Africa v England 2nd & 3rd Tests Sky Sports 2



JANUARY FA Cup Rounds 4 & 5 Sky Sports 2



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Schmeichel leads from the back Record of Foulkes



SIMON BARNES Sports Feature Writer of the Year

ver the past eight years, he has been the best, the most consistent, the most influential player in the FA Carling Premiership. He has also been undervalued, underappreciated, misunderstood: but the hell with that. If people were to start understanding goalkeepers, the goalkeepers would have to find something eise to do.

They give the awards to the outfield players, to the goal-scorers, and that is part of the way things are. A goalkeeper understands that and accepts it. His reward is the private knowledge of his own lonely contribution and the certainty that he is the one to be blamed when things next go wrong. Goalkeeper is not the position for a well-adjusted person.

If there was a moment when a season seemed to stop and turn on a sixpence, though, it was when Peter Schmeichel made that penalty save from Dennis Bergkamp last week, as Manchester United beat Arsenal in the FA Cup. A penalty save is the one feat for which a goalkeeper wins lavish praise and Schmeichel is the first to say that there is always a good deal of luck involved.

The fact, though, is that Sch-meichel beat Bergkamp at foot-ball's great game of paperscissors-stone. Intuition, homework and his own stronger will made the save happen: Schmeichel's correct guess, Bergkamp's placing the ball at the height that Schmeichel

Students of the goalkeeper's art know the save in the same match from Ronny Johnsen's inadvertent deflection was, technically, a great deal hard-er. But in the drama of the penalty save, a goalkeeper, for once, is centre stage for something other than an error. The save told the team that the



sive contribution of his better. Schmeichel's work this season has been all the more admirable for his indifferent form at the season's start. For most players, a run of poor form is mostly a private matter. A goalkeeper, by defini-tion, is the lonely individual in a team game, yet his own poor form affects every other person in the side in the most direct fashion possible.

A striker who misses an

open goal is embarrassed, but a goalkeeper who makes an error that leads to a goal is humiliated. A striker might get a second chance to score: a goalkeeper never gets a second chance to save. It is the difference between a sin of omission and a sin of commission. A goalkeeper's errors are always in the second, more heinous

category. Schmeichel, though, turned his poor form around. His force was with them and Ryan
Giggs's goal was a great achievements, particularly in the European games — the

His greatest quality is certainty, shown most clearly in one-on-ones?

half-dozen seasons and Schmeichel has been the best player in the side. You can do a lot of breaking down of his talent agility, reflexes, command of the air, timing, ability to delay commitment until very late.

most frenzied efforts - have

been majestic, notably in the

two matches against Internazi-

onale and in the first against

Juventus, He will need all that

form and more, one suspects,

in the second match against

Manchester United have

been the dominant force in

English football over the past

Juventus tonight.

But his greatest quality is that of certainty, and that is shown most clearly in one-onone situations. Very, very has started. He knows that the keeper has got it right, that there is no route to goal.

moment myself, in my own

goalkeeping days, smallest of

small-time. And yet I shall

never forget it, for it is one of

the most intoxicating feelings

in football. I can remember

just one or two moments of see-

ing a striker come towards me

with every advantage and see-

ing him all of a sudden look helpless, giving up before he

That is what Schmeichel does on a regular basis at the highest possible level. He imposes a kind of moral authority on the game: the great saves are made not with his hands but with his aura. I remember that a striker once

accused Peter Shilton of selling dummies to strikers. Shilton denied this. "But perhaps it seems like that to the striker." Schmeichel's ability also works in this impossibly rarefied way.

At its best, his talent is pre-

emptive: the save is made before the shot is released. The save is the last resort, the third line of defence. The first is his vision and his command over the defenders in front of him, the second his own positioning and movement.

Many of the saves have been brilliant, but that is the fire-brigade stuff. His fire prevention is every bit as important and what he prides himself on most. Schmeichel leaves Manchester United at the end of the season. This will give great sorrow to all those who love the high and lonely art of the goalkeeper. He was never once made footballer of the year, as he should have been. He gets my vote of foot-baller of the decade instead.

is ready to be broken

By OUR SPORTS STAFF

PETER SCHMEICHEL WILL equal Bill Foulkes's record of 35 European Cup appearances when he lines up against Juventus in the semi-final, second leg in Turin tonight. The Denmark goalkeeper knows that, barring accidents. he will overtake the centre half's mark if Manchester United are victorious, but believes that, in any case, he will be soon overtaken.

Schmeichel has already surpassed Alex Stepney's record of 174 clean sheets for United, but even if United reach the final he feels that he would not hold the record outright for long, because Denis Irwin has made just two fewer appearances and Gary Neville three

"I'm always happy to set a record and I think all players are," Schmeichel said. "However, at most I can only play two more European Cup matches for Manchester United, including this one, and I've got players like Gary Neville and David Beckham right behind me. So I would say that this record is just on loan."

Schmeichel retains a sense of modesty about such issues and does not believe that he deserves to be compared with one of the leading lights of United's 1968 European Cupvinning side.

You can't compare me with him and what we have done for Manchester United. because in his time it took many successful seasons to play that many games in the European Cup," he said. "Nowadays, when you qualify for the Champions'

League, you are guaranteed six matches in the group stages. So, in that way, it has been easier for me to match his number of games."

Schmeichel, who is leaving Old Trafford in the summer because of the demands of the English game, claims that he is coping well with the club's hectic run-in. He has fully recovered from his groin injury and claims that he could have played in the 3-0 victory over Sheffield Wednesday last Saturday that kept United at the top of the FA United at the top of the FA Carling Premiership.
"I could have played if Alex Ferguson had wanted me to

and I'm ready for Juventus."

Man in van with sporting world at his fingertips

Russell Kempson goes behind the scenes on a big night for ITV

oger Philcox squeez-es his portly frame into a swivel chair in the back of the darkened van at Old Trafford. A bank of screens flickers in front of him. Geneva control centre prattles away and New York is calling. Philcox twiddies a few knobs, chats back and takes stock, the world at

his fingertips.
Suddenly, a flash of sparks lights up the gloom. The electric heater has blown up. Philcox pauses, startled, then kicks When in doubt, use the technical approach," he said, laughing. On such moments does the smooth running of global television depend.

Philcox. 59, is ITV's technical producer, the man who ensures that sport's finest spectacles are transmitted without hitch to the pubs, clubs and liv-ing rooms of little England. "Our lords and masters buy the events," he said. "It's up to me to make sure the sound and pictures, from wherever in the world, get back to them. If we have to apologise for loss of either, I'm a failure." With ITV the host broadcast-

er for the first leg of the Euro-pean Cup semi-final between Manchester United and Juventus two weeks ago, about 60 countries, from Australia 10 Cyprus, took the live feed from 16 match cameras and in 30 languages. The Swiss-German



Philcox master technician

commentator may have fluffed his pre-match lines, his Russian counterpart mysteriously never made it to Old Trafford and Yugoslav TV, predictably, had "operational" dif-ficulties, but little went wrong. Tonight, for the second leg, a

similar outcome is expected. "We might not be the hosts, but problems can still arise," Philcox said. "We'll have a strange power supply and will need our own satellite uplink."

Philcox travelled to Turin yesterday among the advance guard of five vans and 40 personnel. ITV2, the fledgeling digital channel, also has to be catered for and is again showing live Bayern Munich against Dynamo Kiev as it irons out the glitches before its shared coverage of the rugby union World Cup this year.

ince the I-I draw in Manchester, Philcox has been to the Brazilian Grand Prix and spent five days in Holland and Belgium on a "recce" for the 2000 European championship finals. After this evening, victory or defeat for United, he will fly to Barcelona to check the venue for the European Cup final: then on to Budapest, for England's match against Hun-

gary on April 28.

The jovial Philcox has traversed the globe "eight or nine" times in his 30 years in the business. He retires in July, technically, but will stay on in an advisory capacity. The walks with his dog, Bonnie, a 13-year-old corgi, around the Kent countryside, where he lives, will have to wait. "I enjoy the quiet, away from the broadcasters shout-

ing at each other," he said. I'll shadow the new man for a while, hopefully teaching him a few things. If I'm as, to get on the 0600 to Hali: I'll say 'no', but if I'm wanted on the 10 o'clock to Rio. 1'll go. Euro 2000 finishes two days before my 61st birthday and then I'll sail into the distance."

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent One of the idioms you occasionally hear at the bridge table is

that of "stripping a hand". This refers to a point of technique whereby you eliminate some of the suits from a hand, in order to reduce the options for a defender when he gets the lead. It may sound complex, but on the deal that follows Roselyn Teukolsky demonstrated a route to success by employing the technique perfectly.

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W		N	E	s		
Pass		Pass	Pass	1 D		
2 C		2 D	3 C	3 H		
Pass All Pa	185	3 S	Pass	5 D		

Contract: Five Diamonds by South. Lead: ace of clubs. third, then crossed to a top

Most players would have chosen to double rather than overcall with the West cards but it probably had no bear-ing on the final contract. Notice North's bid of Three Spades; having limited his hand at his first turn by the simple raise of diamonds. he had quite a respectable hand. The bid of Three Spades simply showed values in that suit, without committing the partnership to game.

As it happens, the auction persuaded West to lead the ace of clubs - a small slip which allowed declarer to make the contract, despite the unfavourable heart distribution. She ruffed the club continuation, played three rounds of spades, ruffing the

trump in dummy to ruff her last club. At this point she drew the last trump, ending up in dummy. Now she led the nine of hearts from dummy. covered by East with the ten and declarer with the jack. That left West on play. A heart return would give up the defence's trick there, and either black suit would allow declarer to throw a heart from dummy and cross-ruff the rest of the tricks.

Notice that on a passive spade lead declarer will probably win the ace and lead the queen of clubs from hand. It is easy for West to duck this and now a heart from East breaks up all the tension of the ending.

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

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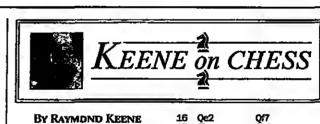
PARASCENE a. Flat land for parachutists b. The ancient green room c. A secondary plot

PARAPHRAST

a. Heavily armed cavalryman b. A person who paraphrases c. An early type of umbrella

POOPNODDY a. A type of sailing boat b. A pointed hat c. Teaser of idiots

Answers on page 54



Adams' triumph

The top ranked British grandmaster, Michael Adams, has scored the greatest triumph of his life by finishing first and undefeated in the elite tournament at Dos Hermanas, in Spain. Adams outdistanced both the reigning FIDE (World Chess Federation), Anatoly Karpov, as well as two of the grandmasters re-garded as likely challengers to Kasparov's throne, namely Vladimir Kramnik and Viswanathan Anand. Anand had a particularly disastrous tournament, finishing in a tie for last place. This column has already published most of the wins by the top two players in the tournament. Today's game completes that selection. White: Vladimir Kramnik Black: Miguel Illescas

Dos Hermanas 1999 **Dutch Defence**

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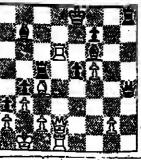
Diagram of final position

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Prasad - Becer-ra, Linares 1999. How did White now justify his piece sac-

Solution on page 54 We apologise for the error in yesterday's diagram. The correct position will be published on Monday.



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FOOTBALL

Fowler to miss England's trip to Budapest

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

ROBBIE FOWLER'S season look another turn for the worse yesterday when it was announced that he would be unavailable for England's match against Hungary in Budapest next Wednesday. The Liverpool striker needs surgery 10 reset his broken nose, an injury sustained in an incident in a Liverpool hotel last weekend.

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Fowler's domesoc campaign has already ended. for after the 1-0 home defeat by Asion Villa on Saturday he began a six-match suspension. imposed by the Football Associacion, for his antics in matches agains Chelsea and

At Stamford Bridge, he quesooned the sexuality of Graeme Le Saux, the Chelsea defender, with a series of bizarre taunts. In the Merseyside derby at An-field, he celebrated scoring a goal by stooping to "sniff" the white lines on the pitch. He was fined by his club and the FA also ordered him to pay a fine of £32,000.

Kevin Keegan, the England coach, had been expected to name Fowler in his party, especially as his options up front may be limited. When he announces his squad tomorrow, several players from Manches-ter United and Arsenal are likely to be absent, freed to concentrate on club duties as the FA Carling Premiership title race nears its climax.

If Ruud Gullit, the Newcastle United manager, had his way. Alan Shearer, the England captain, would be absent, too. "I have my own interests to protect." Gullit said yesterday. 'If Kevin is willing to let players from the title-chasing clubs stay at home, what's the purpose of the game? Players

World Cup and a hard season and he needs a rest also. I would like to rest him if I could I would object if Alan was in the squad and players from the other big clubs weren't. It would not be fair.

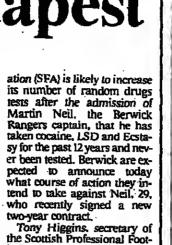
"I wouldn't consider asking him to pull out, and I'm not making any sort of threat over this, but I can't wait to talk to Kevin. If he had been in charge all year and wanted to use the fixture to bring on some fringe players, then it would be OK, but that's not the case. The reason for the game is to develop his strong-est team. If players aren't go-ing to be there, it becomes

Fowler appears to have been the innocent party in the hotel fracas and could still be considered for England's European championship qualifying ties against Sweden and Bulgaria in June. "He will go in for his operation on Friday." Gerard Houllier, the Liverpool manager, said. "It will take another two or three days before he can start running

The Scottish Football Associ-

Proposed changes to trans-fer regulations in the light of

We are looking at the transfer regulations as a whole," a Fifa spokesman. Andreas Herren, said. "Fifa is looking to become European Union compatible but does not intend to touch the essence of the contracts. If a contract, out of mutual consent, is to be terminated unilaterally that is something between the parties -Fifa would certainly not institu-



ballers' Association, said: "I'm sure that Neil's revelations will accelerate the number of random tests among players. The SFA make an assessment at the end of every season about the number of tests that have been taken. No numbers are made public but I'm certain the procedure will be

I'm sure Neil's case is a special one. However, it would be naive to think that some profes-sional footballers don't take social drugs. Our message is quite clear: if you want to play professional sport, then don't take drugs.

the Bosman ruling will not include allowing players or clubs to terminate contracts whenever they choose, Fifa, the world governing body, said yesterday.



Kiev insisting they or Dynamo Kiev, the wait has been even longer than it has for Manchester United. The champions of Ukraine are fit to do battle have never reached the European Cup final and in Munich tonight, their task appears monumental after

the way Bayern Munich came back from a 3-1 deficit so precise in his finishing to draw the first leg 3-3 in he has netted 17 goals in 26 European Cup games - those are not hollow words, However, Kiev, who eliminated Real Madrid, the holdbut, if Kiev can lose control ers, in the quarter-finals, have the quality; if only they once, they can do so again, and Lobanovsky is disingenu-

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can summon the nerve. In ous if he says he does oot fear Munich in their own Olym-Kiev, the home side should pic Stadium have led Munich 5-1. They As with United, Kiev's test lost concentration, tired on a heavy pitch and Bayern ralis one of heart and mind and lied with typically German spirit. "It's not over," Valeri sinew. While Alex Ferguson waits for medical guidance Lobanovsky, who has been with Kiev for more than 40 on Ryan Giggs's injured ankle. Kiev weigh up the gamyears as player and, now, a ble on the sore knee of Sergei trainer, growled. "If we can Rebrov. He is the catalyst to score three times here, we can Shevchenko and, in the eyes of some observers, Rebrov, With Andrei Shevchenko with his uncanny ability to

By Rob Hughes

better all-round player. With Rebrov's small but crafty nature and Shevchenko's turbo-charged ability, the pair, in combination. can unhinge Munich's Lothar Matthaus and his two central pillars — Markus Babbel and Samuel Kaffour.

Rebrov should start the match come what may. Here, as in Turin, the judgment of the managers is critical. These are the times when the overambitious among their ilk are tempted to ask key performers to take pain-killing injections.

Once they do step over the

said yesterday. Matthäus might have added "again" because he has been there before, with Borussia Dort-

Ottmar Hitzfeld, who is again his mentor, having coached that same Dort-mund side to victory in the European Cup two years ago, said: "The 3-3 draw gives us an advantage. Maybe it's 51 per cent to us at this moment. but we must be careful."

Careful and concentrated are the watchwords. Without Bixente Lizarazu, the adventurous France left back, and Giovane Elber, the Brazil striker, Bayern might be two taleots short of what it takes to shock Kiev twice in a row.

Their counter-attacking speed suggests that Kiev can upset the odds and win on the break and if Juventus approach the tempo, the thought and the movement of their first hour at Old Trafford in the first leg. a Kiev versus Juventus final is, seem-

Arsenal are in fine fettle for final furlong Saha suffers Wembley blow

IN THE end, they may still not be able to do enough to remove Manchester United's steely grip from the other leading prize that Arsenal might have to hand over to the Old Trafford empire

But Arsene Wenger, Dennis Bergkamp, Patrick Vieira and the rest of North London's finest can look back with pride today on the performance that proved that the Double-winners of last season do not know how to accept second-best.

Overwhelmed Wimbledon, one of only three sides to beat them in the FA Carling Premiership this season, were devastatingly dispatched 5-1 at Highbury by a vintage show from the now

By Our Sports Staff

single-minded Arsenal. Five days after the despair of losing an FA Cup semi-final replay to their great northern foes, the air was filled again with the exaltation of the names of heroes.

Vieira scored the pivotal goal, the second for Arsenal, which sparked a series of four goals in nine minutes that simply blew away Wimbledon early in the second half.

Between a pair of strikes by High-bury's newest star, Kanu - the first officially debited as an own goal to Ben Thatcher, the Wimbledon defender -Berekamp delivered the moment that he and 38,000 others had hoped and prayed for. Nigel Winterburn, the left

do it again."

The decibel level reached by the Arsenal fans when chanting his name before the kick-off, in a genuinely touching display of support for a man whose missed penalty in stoppage time at Villa Park had left him in the depths of a great depression, was matched by an

We were so happy for Dennis when

ever doubted him. He was very down after the Manchester United match. but we all were and it was important for everybody that we proved again

Arsenal visit Leeds on May 11, just

temper desire with care. Kiev

have already agreed to sell Shevchenko to AC Milan and

may feel that this is their best,

if not their only, time to con-

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player has been offered to

reach the final. Matthaus

may be 38, but the years drop

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such a leader. The Euro-

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LOUIS SAHA, the Newcastle United striker, has had his hopes of an FA Cup Final appearance severely reduced after fracturing his cheekbone during a collision training. Saha, who is on loan from Metz, underwent surgery last night and Ruud Gullit, the manager, said he is likely to be out for three weeks, which will limit his chances of playing against Manchester United at

Wembley. ■ Brighton, who have been playing at Gillingham since the sale of their Goldstone

IN BRIEF Ground, are to receive a £500,000 loan from the

Withdean Stadium, The

Football Trust to help to fund

Goldstone veoue needs improvements of £1.4 million. The Scottish Premier League announced yesterday that the final fixtures of the season will kick-off at 12.30pm on Sunday, May 23. Under the original agreement signed 12 months ago

between the Scottish Premier

League and Sky Television.

Sunderland are set for an early test of their FA Carling Premiership credeotlass when they face Liverpool. title a record 18 times, in a match to mark the hundredth Football League championship season. The game will be played at the Stadium of Light on May 18. Christian Worns, 26, the Paris Saint-Germain defender, has signed for Borussia Dortmund, of the Bundesliga, for a fee of £3

the matches were scheduled

to start at 6.05pm.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7:30 unless stated "denotes all-ticket Europeen Cup Semi-finals, second leg

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Nationwide League

Dynamo Kiev (3) (7.45)... Juventus (1) v Manchester Utd (1) (7.45)........ FA Carling Premiership

Second division Fulham v Milwali (7.45) . Third division Scarborough v Levton Orient... Swansea v Cambridge Utd (7 45)......

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RC Warwick Cutter Brist division: Croydon, volume to Carvey Island, Mardenhead v Yeading, Molesey v Chentsey Second division: Banslead v Heritord THE THRES FA YOUTH CUP: Semi-final, first leg: Newcastle v Coveniry (10).

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11.30, first day of three FENNER'S: Cambridge University RUGBY UNION

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Weish League Premier division play-offs Group A Neath v Lianelli (7.15).

Group B Aberavon v Caerphilly (7 0)... Bridgend v Newport (7.15)... First division UWIC v Tredegar (7.0).. Anglo-Weish club match

Cardiff v London Irish (7.15)..... RUGBY LEAGUE Northern Ford Premiership Oldham v Featherstone (7.45)... NATIONAL CONFERENCE LEAGUE: First division: Featherstone Lons v Dudey Fig. (7 3n) back, combined with Emmanuel Petit the challenge of Alan Kimble and power his drive beyond Neil Sullivan.

explosive communal roar.

he scored," Vieira said. "But nobody

how strong we are." Arsenal

ship for the first time this season if they win at Middlesbrough on Saturday. United, coming back from Turin, must wait until Sunday to take a crack at Leeds United, who are in fourth place. at Elland Road

six days after a challenging North London derby away to Tottenham Hotspur on the night when United meet traditionally their fiercest rivals, Liverpool, at Antield,

Wilkinson defends England's failure

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

HOWARD WILKINSON has insisted that England's disastrous World Youth Cup performance does not mean the country's young footballing tal-ent has fallen behind the rest of the world.

Wilkinson, the Football Association technical director, believes the much-weakened England team that flew out to Nigeria earlier this month did not truly reflect the wealth of potenoally world-class young footballers now prospering in

the FA Carling Premiership. England, without young stars such as Michael Owen and Jonathon Woodgate, who were allowed by the FA to stay with their clubs as the English season draws to a climax. failed to score in their three World Youth Cup matches, which all ended in defeat.

It was the worst record of any team in the tournament, but Wilkinson refused to be downcast. "I don't think the England performance in the under-20 championships in Nigeria would be taken by any serious student of the game as an accurate measure of where our young footballers stand in the world," Wilkinson said.

'The team that went out, as opposed to some nations who were out there, would not have been the best performers available to play there." Wilkinson was speaking

after the launch of the Coca-Cola Mini Soccer revolution, inspired by his own Charter for Quality, at Wembley Stadium in London yesterday. The seven-a-side scheme will replace full-size games for all players aged under ten.

7.45pm. 80,000 screaming Italians. 9.45pm. 80,000 screaming

(Beckham to score first in 1-0 United triumph: £20 pays £1220.)

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Beckham	60/1	100/1	100/1	275/1	250/1
Blomgvist	80/1	150/1	125/1	375/1	325/1
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Above Match: Own goals do not count for first player to score.

Extra time does not count. Other prices on request.

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FOR THE RECORD

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REAL TENNIS HAMPTON COURT: Guy Salmon women's world champlenehip (Greet Bittan unless stated): Pirat round: B Sabbag (US) bit Winglit 6-1,6-1,5 Methanel bit J Watts 6-2,6-1; K Leering (Aus) bit C Southwell 6-2,6-2; S Johns bit C King SHOOTING

BISLEY: Army target pistol chempfort-ships: Air pistol: 1, Cpi R Doak (R Irish) 567pts, 2, SSpt. L Wright (REME) 554 Cen-tre pistor: 1, LC Of H Hoole (R Sprais) 538; 2, Pie W Carson (R Irish) 497, 3, LCpi W Kernedy 491 Overall positions: 1, Hoole 1,056, 2 Doak 1,043, 3, Wright 1,033, BLOEMFONTEIN, South Atrica: World individual target ritle champlonships (al-les first day): Equal 1, E Classen and J van Rooyen (SA) 446 209s, 3, 5 Ourstall (AUS) 446.18 British scores: S Colling: 441 19, A Ringer 440, 13; J Webster 440 10. SNOOKER

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SQUASH

HURIGHADA, Egypt: WISPA World Grand Prix finals: Third-place play-off: C Jackman (65) bit Grainger (54) 9-3, 9-2. Final: M Mann (Aus) bit C Owens (Aus) 9-4, 9-7, 2-9, 9-4.

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TIVE EUROPEAN CUP FOOTBALE Evs. JUVENTUS 11/5 DRAW MAN UTD 9/4 CORRECT SCORE DIVERTUS TOE MAN UTD JUVENTUS JUVENTUS 11/5 JNZAGHI (I)

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Other scores on request. Bets void if match not completed. C TELEPHONE SETTING OFFICE OPEN UNTIL 10.30PM TONIGHT, FOR LATEST PRICES SEE CH4 TEXT P601/2/3 PRICES SUBJECT TO FLUCTUATION. WILLIAM HILL FOOTBALL RULES APPLY. TO OPEN A CREDIT ACCOUNT FREEPHONE 0800 289 892

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SNOOKER: SIX-TIME WORLD CHAMPION MUST TURN ROUND 7-2 DEFICIT TO SURVIVE

Davis faces early departure

STEVE DAVIS, gracing the Crucible Theatre for the 21st year in succession, must dredge his reserves of determination to avoid immediate and ignominious eliminadon from the Embassy world championship in Sheffield this

morning. Davis, winner of the title on six occasions between 1980 and 1989, trailed Joe Perry, the world No 74, 7-2 after their opening session. It was reminiscent of the corresponding round in 1981, when Davis was astoundingly beaten 10-1 by Tony Knowles.

It began to go wrong for Davis in only the second frame. Leading by 37 with only one red remaining, he kissed the pink into the middle pocket in trying to escape from a self-imposed snooker. Perry cleared with 33 and salvaged the next, from a 61-0 deficit, with a 68 clearance.

The most startling error from Davis came in the fifth frame. Poised to steal it and reduce his arrears to manageable proportions at 3-2, he missed a straightforward blue to a middle pocket.

By now Perry was aware that Davis, at 41 the oldest competitor in the field, was struggling and piled on the pressure with breaks of 120 and 81 to move within three frames of progress on the

resumption Motivated by national pride and with a keen sense that an opportunity had presented By PHIL YATES

itself to resurrect his ailing career, James Wattana disregarded comparative recent form to defeat Marco Fu in the first round.

Wattana, a former world No 3 who appears destined to be relegated from the elite top 16 in the rankings next season. rediscovered the ability to win under pressure with a 10-8 victory in a game billed as the unofficial Asian championship.

With the exception of the Welsh Open in January, when he reached the quarter-finals. Wattana has found success hard to come by. His frustration was compounded six weeks ago when, shortly before a match against Ken

Doberty in the Thailand Masters, he received an anonymous phone call that instructed him to "lose or be prepared to die". Wattana lost.

In contrast, Fu has made quite an impact in his first full season on the circuit. He was runner-up to Stephen Lee in the Grand Prix, he has climbed from 377th to 39th in the world rankings and has already constructed 30 century breaks in competition.

Consequently, Fu, the first player from Hong Kong to qualify for the Crucible, was the bookmakers favourite. Indeed, they looked to have correctly assessed form when, after trailing 5-4 overnight, he took the lead for the first time

However, Wattana won the sixteenth frame with a run of 62 and launched an otherwise exceptional 136 total clearance in the next by fluking the initial red. The Thai duly secured a meeting with Stephen Hendry or Paul Hunter in the last 16 by protecting an early run of 40 in the eighteenth.

BBC1,7pm

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BBC2, 8pm

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With the World Cup beginning on May 14.
Tomorrow's World takes a look at the science of cricket, Professor Brian Wilkins, a New Zealander

and lifelong fan of the game, has decided to build a

machine that examines the mechanics of bowling.
His research reveals the effects that the weather
can have on the delivery of the ball. Also, Peter

Snow and Mike Gatting, the former England captain, test the controversial new white balls to see if they work in the same way as the traditional

European Cup: Juventus v Manchester United

Michael Portillo and Ken Livingstone share a platform tonight in the cause of rehabilitating, or at least adjusting, the image of Oliver Cromwell. leader of the English republic and perhaps no less of a tyrant than the King, Charles I, for whose execution he was responsible. Their contributions were not available for preview, but Dennis Waterman's "potted history" (the BBC's pun) of snooker was. Tying in with this week's coverage of the World Championships, it does a reasonable job of summarising the history of the game

Laddish Jamie Oliver may be, but he's New Man enough to offer to cook for his sister's hen night

Mark King will supply the opposition for John Higgins, the title-holder, in the second round, having recovered from 8-6 down to beat Darren Morgan 10-8.

WEBSITE:

tournament site. TELEVISION: BBC2, 1.10, 4.00, 5.45, and 9.30pm; BBC1, 2.30pm

MOTOR RALLYING

FROM JEREMY HART IN LLORET DE MAR

PHILIPPE BUGALSKI, a little-known Frenchman, held off the might of the world's leading rally drivers for a sec-ond successive day in the Catapatriot, Didier Auriol, in a Toyota.
"I didn't think I could hold

month." McRae said. Richard Burns, Britain's aru, was one of three drivers penalised for jump-starting a stage yesterday morning. Makinen, in fifth place, was also punished.

Only rain or mechanical failure will now stop Bugalski from making history and winning a round of the world championship in a kit car. That prospect has the big

ionia Rally yesterday. The Citroen driver starts the final leg today, near Barcelona, with a 17-second lead from his com-

off the world rally cars today." Bugalski, whose kit car weighs under 1,000 kilo-grams, said. The world rally cars all weigh more than 1,200 kilograms. kilograms and have fourwheel drive.

The only drivers able to beat Bugalski over the six stages yesterday were Tommi Makinen, the world champion, and Colin McRae, of Great Britain, McRae started the day 30 places off the fight for first after a turbo prublem on Monday and was using the stages for a test session, which ended with the car almost back to its best. "It's a big improvement on yesterday. I hope now that we will be on the pace in Corsica next

teams in uproar.

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Bugalski kitted out for historic victory

Strange, isn't it, how the cinema can affect our involvement with classical music in a way that the composer never intended? Take Tchaikovsky's Symphony No 4, the concluding work in this programme of recordings by the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra. Whenever I hear it, I simply can't clear my mind of the classic 1943 version of The Phantom of the Opera in which sections of the symphony were plucked from the score and rescored as an opera. I know people who are forever doomed to remember Elvira Madigan only because it used Mozart's Piano Concerto No 21.

The Naked Chef: Hen Night

The BBC Orchestras

RADIO 1 (BBC)

and the cridically-acclaimed biopic Shine only because it used Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No 3 to such great effect.

8.30mm Zoe Ball 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Jo Whiley 3.00pm Chris Moyles S.A5 Newsbeat 6.00 Dave Pearos 8.00 Steve Lamaco; The Evaning Session 10.00 Movie Update with Mark Karmode 10.10 John Peel 12.00 Gilles Peterson 2.00am Clive Warren 4.00 Scott Mills

RADIO 2 (BBC)

6.00am Sarah Kennedy 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.30 Ken Bruce 12.00 Jimmy Young 2.00pm Ed Stewert 5.05 Johnne Walker 7.00 Nick Barrackough 8.00 Mike Harding 8.00 Gients of Soul: The Temptetions (4/8) 10.00 Tom Paxton. Still Ramotin' (3/8) 10.30 Lynn Parsons 12.00 Kertina Leskenich

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SKY CINEMA

Manchester United travel to Turin with Alex Ferguson's Holy Grail looking ominously clusive. Ryan Giggs's injury time goal levelled the scores at 1-1 at the end of the first leg of this semi-final, but the game was generally dictated by Juventus. Significantly, the Italians start tonight's encounter buoyed by the advantage of that away goal—scored by Antonio Come—and are accordingly clear-cut favourites to prevail.

Louise Godfrey and offer his utterly cool Central London apartment for the occasion. True to his intelligent and no-nonsense form, he offers an Italian bread focaccia, with rosemary, olives and garlic, followed by baked (farmed) salmon with green beans, tomatoes, anchovies, olives and a basil aioli, and a temon and time cream tart. He and his unseen female interlocutor make it all seem eminently straightforward to prepare and the women, impeccably well turned out, lap it up.

Spin City Channel 4, 10pm

Michael J. Fox and Barry Bostwick return as the Deputy Mayor and Mayor of New York City in a new series of the increasingly flighty (who cares if new series of the increasingly flighty (who cares if it makes any sense?) sitcom. It now features a talking dog, Rags, the suicidal, geriatric pet of gay activist Carter (Michael Boatman), who is still reluctantly sharing an apartment with archeonservative Stuart (Alan Ruck). Tonight Fox takes the credit for saving a child in an incident in Central Park but is then persuaded by the dog to tell the truth. Yes, I know. Bostwick's halfwit charm and the wilder excesses of the script will keep you watching.

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RADIO CHOICE

The 1999 Reith Lectures Radio 4, Spm

Tradition is the theme of tonight's lecture by Anthony Giddens, Director of the LSE. He doesn't make the point himself but this year's lectures exemplify what happens when one tradidon gives way to another. Ever since the lectures began in 1948, the pattern has remained unchanged. The lecturer would sit in a studio, read his script and lecturer would sit in a studio, read his script and that was that. Last year the lectures underwent a dramatic change. They were given before a live audience and ended with a question-and-answer session. This year's series have taken another step forward. They were recorded in different locations. Tonight, it's Delhi and the grounds of the house once occupied by Pandit Nehru, first Prime Minister of an independent India. Peter Davalle

BBC WORLD SERVICE

S.00am The World Today 7.00 World News 7.15 Outlook 7.55 My Century 8.00 World News 8.05 World Business Report 8.15 Insight 8.30 Sports International 9.00 World News 9.05 Westway 9.20 Off the Shelf Frankenation 9.35 One Planet 10.00 World News 10.05 Sounds Right 10.20 Blues World 10.50 Sports Round-Up 11.00 Newsdesk 11.30 Britain Today 11.45 World Business Report 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30pm Sports International 1.00 World News 1.05 Outlook 1.45 Sports Round-Up 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 3.05 One Planet 3.30 Mendian Live 4.00 World News 4.05 Sports Round-Up 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 3.05 One Planet 3.30 Mendian Live 4.00 World News 4.05 Sports Round-Up 7.00 World News 7.15 Britain Today 7.30 Sports International 8.00 World News 7.15 Britain Today 7.30 Sports International 8.00 World News 10.05 World Business Report 10.20 Britain Today 10.30 On Screen 11.00 World News 11.15 Sports Round-Up 11.30 Andy Kershaw's World of Music 12.00 World News 12.05am Outlook 12.45 Insight 1.00 The World Today 1.30 One Planet 1.55 My Century 2.00 The World Today 2.30 Men tilan Live 3.00 The World Today 3.30 World Business Report 3.45 Insight 4.00 The World Today 4.20 Sports Round-Up 4.30 The World Today 5.00am The World Today 7.00 World News 7.15 Outlook 7.55

CLASSIC FM

m Nick Balley's Easier Breakfast 8.00 Henry Kelly The Hall of Fame Hour and CD of the Week 12.00 Lunchtime Requests 2.00pm Concerto. Castethuovo-Tedesco (Guitar Concerto No 1 in 0) major 3.00 Jamie Crick Including Continuous Classics and Alternoon Romance 6.30 Newsnight.
Headlines, arts news and guests 7.00 Smooth Classics at Seven. John Brunning introduces easy-lustening sounds 9.00 Eventing Concert. Clarke/Purcell (Trumpet Tune): Bocchenn (Cello Concerto No 4 in C majori, Beethoven (Fantasia for Piano Chorus and Orchestra in C minori). Mozari (Clarinet Concerto In A march Structura (Misca) Altero Mikespel.

Concerto in A majori, Smeterna (Villava), Allegin IlMiserare) 11.00 Mann al Night 2.00am Concerto, Castethiovo-Te desce (Gurter Concerto No 1 in O major) (r) 3.00 Mark Griffiths

RADIO 3

6.00am On Air with Petroc Trelawny with arts news

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9.00 Masterworks with Peter Hobday. Corelli (Sonata a quastor, WoO 4); Telemann (Overture-Suite in D): Mozart (Piano Concerto No 27 in B flat, K595); Schulhoff (Concertino); Corelli (Concerto grosso in C minor, Op 6 No 3)

10.30 Artist of the Week: Gwyneth Jones

11.00 Sound Stories: Five Great Rivers The Po

12.00 Composer of the Week: Stanford

1.00pm The Radio 3 Lunchtime Concert John Lill, prano. Beethoven (Piano Sonata in D, Op 10 No 3); Protoriev (Piano Sonata No 6, Op 82) (r)

2.00 The BBC Orchestras See Choice

4.00 Choral Evensong Live from SI Edmundsbury Cathedral. Director of music James Thomas. Assistant director of music James Thomas. Assistant director of music Michael Bawtree

5.00 In Tune Sean Rafferty is joined by Andrew Parrott, who was recently appointed music director of the London Mozar Payers

7.30 Performance on 3: John McCabe at 60 Live from the Philharmonic Hall, Everpool, the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic concert celebrating the 60th birthday of John McCabe. With Judith Howeith, soprano, under Adnan Leaper Brahms (Vanations on a Theme of Haydni); McCabe (Notturni ed alba) 8.15 John McCabe about his life and work 8.35 Concert, part live. Ravel Button-Page talks to John McCabe about his life and work 8.35 Concert, part two Revel (Sheherazade): McCabe (Concerto for orchestra)

9.35 Postscript: Private View Introduced by Nicholas Ward Jackson (3/5) (r)
10.00 The Plano Weeldy senes in which Piers Lane investigates the world of the piano past and present. A look at a hundred years of playing the

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11.00 Night Waves As the long-awaited publication of J H. Prynne's Collected Poems makes his work widely available for the first time in three decades, Patrick Winght explores the work and reclusive reputation of the man some consider to be Britain's most important poet

11.30 Jazz Notes in the second part of his conversation with Alyn Shipton, Oscar Peterson remembers some of his great jazz inendships, including the late Dizzy Gillespie

12.00 Through the Night with Donald Macleod 12.15 Mozart (Pano Concerto No 24 in C minor, K491) 12.45 Lassus (Certa fornier) 12.50 Pedre Davide da Bergamo (La Vera Piva Montanara) 1.00 Aram Khachaturian conducts Aldo Ferraresi (violini) and the Italian RSO in his own music 2.05 Schulbert (Pano Ouintet in A. D667, Trout) 2.45 Bach (Faritasia and Figure in G minor, BWV542, Great) (Faritasia and Fugue in G minor, BWV542, Great)
3.00-4.00 Schools: Time and Tune 3.20 Together
3.40 Dance Workshop 4.00 EAL Playtima 4.20
Counting Time 5.05 Leopold Hoffmann (Rute
Corcerto in D) 5.25 Weber (Grand duo concertant, Op 48(5.45 Offenbach (The Doll's Song, The Tales of Holtmann)

RADIO 4

5.30am World News 5.35 Shipping Forecast 5.40 Inshore Forecast 5.45 Prayer for the Day 5.47 Farming Today Anna Hill presents 6.00 Today with James Naughbe and John Humphrys 8.35 (LW) Yesterday in Parliament Update on political developments

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9.00 kildweek with the Times columnist Libby Purves
9.45 (FM) Serial: Thoughts of an idle Fellow Hugh Laune reads On Being in Love, by Jerome K. Jerome (3/5)
9.45 (LW) Daity Service
10.00 Woman's Hour with Jenn Murray and guests.
Includes par 13 of Diary of a Provincial Lady, by
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11.00 inside Track The steam engine designer Willio Dewar accompanies Adam Fowler to South Africa on a mission to seek out the locornotives he helped to build 50 years ago (r)

11.30 Bristow New series. Adaptation of Frank Dickins's classic cartoon strip, staming Michael Williams, Rodney Bewes and Owen Brenman (1/6)

12.00 (LW) News Headlines; Shipping Forecast 12.00 (FM) News 12.04 ym You and Yours with Traue Rawlinson and Mark Whittaker.

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1.30 Points of Law Popular legal quz, chared from Lincoln's Inn by Richard Evans, With Mark Stephens and Eiteen Pembridge

2.00 The Anchers Broadcast yesterday (r)

2.15 Afternoon Play; John Dodd Gets Taken for a Ride Richard Lumsden's lale of a man with learning difficulties whose hundrum making to

searing uniculates whose humbrum roughe is considerably enlivered by his visiting uncle. Peter Gunn and Rowers Cooper star () 3.00 Gardeners' Question Time Pippa Greenwood, John Custine and Nigel Colbom field horticultural questions posed by gardeners from the lale of Man Chaired by Enc Robson (r)

learning difficulties whose humdrum routine is

3.30 A Week at the Pitt Rivers The author P.D. James wishs the Pitt Rivers Museum in Oxford to learn more about a Fijian neckace teatured in her novel The Children of Man (3/5)

3.45 This Sceptred Isle Anna Massey narrates part 78 of the history of Britain (1)

4.00 Thinking Allowed Laune Taylor is joined by Stan Cohen, Martin White Professor of Sociology to explore ideas that shape our society

4.30 Case Notes with Graham Easton (1)

5.00 PM with Clare English and Chris Lowe

6.00 Stx O'Clock News

6.30 King Street Junior Jim Eldndge's comedy drama set in a unior school (4/6) (1)

7.00 The Archers The Justice vents from Ambridge 7.15 Front Row John Wilson alterids the world premiere of the Royal Shakespeare Company's production of Ted Hughes's Tales of Oxid

7.45 Diary of a Provincial Lady Part 13 of E.M Delatieid's household pumal. Broadcast earlier as part of Worran's Hour (r)

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9.00 Aftered States Neuroscientists, doctors and the entertainer Paul McKenna discuss the effect of hypnosis on the brain (r)

9.30 Midweek Broadcest earlier (r)
10.00 The World Tonight Robin Lusting presents
10.45 Book at Bedtime: The Service of Clouds by
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11.30 (FM) I'm Glad You Asked Me That Offbeat guide to modern living (4/5) (r)

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Henman given lean time

THE Monte Carlo Country Club here is one of the homes of tradition on the ATP Tour so it seems a little strange that Tim Henman, that very tradidonal of British gentlemen, is trying hard to fly in the face of it. One of the sport's great traditions dictates that putting a Briton on a clay court is a recipe for disappointment, if not disaster. After his gruelling de-

feat by Fernando Meligeni yes-terday, Henman begs to differ. At 28 and ranked No 51. Meligeni is never going to set the world alight, but on his day and on his surface he can grind down even the most con-fident of opponents. Coming from Brazil, clay is the surface Meligeni likes best. Not the most physically imposing of players — his nickname, Fino, means thin - he has the walk

of a man who is never com-

TENNS : From Alix Ramsav

Tennis Correspondent In Monte Carlo

pletely sure that his knees will bend in the right direction. Henman, however, is a new man this year. He has worked long and hard to learn the and it is almost paying off.

He battled and scrapped to come back from early breaks in the first and third sets, and during the spells when his first service was hitting the mark, he was able to control the points and put away his volleys. He even held a match point as Meligeni served to stay in the match, but it was not to be his day and he eventually lost 6-7, 6-4, 7-5 after 2hr 38min. No matter, both he and David Felgate, his coach, believe that his day is not far off. "I know my game on clay is

a hundred times better than it has been," Henman said. "I'm really enjoying the practice and I feel ready to win. I need a few opportunities to come my way and I feel very ready to take them, and so there is no reason why I can't have a good ments coming up.

Henman's problem is as much mental as physical and knowing when to go for the kill in long and protracted rallies does not come easily to

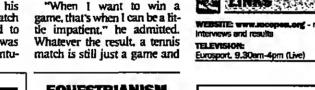
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important things on his mind yesterday. He was told on Monday night that his father, Karl-Heinz, had died after a long battle against cancer. "I am very, very sad," Becker said, announcing his with drawal from the tournament. "In this difficult situation

want to be close to my family." Andre Agassi was also on the first plane home, suffering lder injury, wh Marcelo Rios looked likely to join him. dropping the first set 6-0 against Andrei Pavel, but he finally squeezed through

Boris Becker had far more

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Tait chases elusive win

BLYTH TAIT, of New Zealand, the Olympic and world three-day event champion, heads a high-calibre field for the Mitsubishi Motors Badminton horse trials, which this year celebrates its fiftieth anniversary (Jenny MacArthur

writes). Tait, still seeking his first Badminton win, Mark Todd, the runner-up at Badminton and the world championships last year on Broadcast News, and Bettina Overesch-Boker, of Germany, on Watermill Stream, the individual silver medal-winner at the 1997 Open European championships, lead the foreign entry. Christoper Bartle, the winner last year, lan Stark, Kristina Gifford, Polly Phil-

event from May 6 to 9. WORD-WATCHING

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for the £27,500 first prize at the

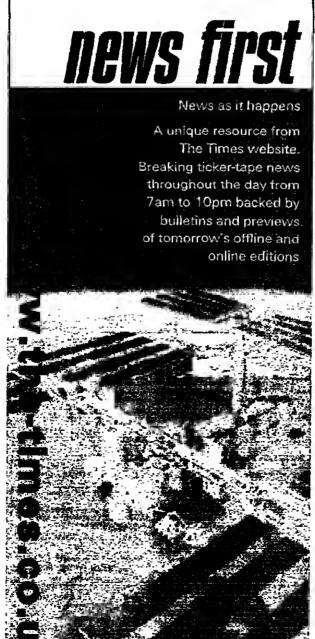
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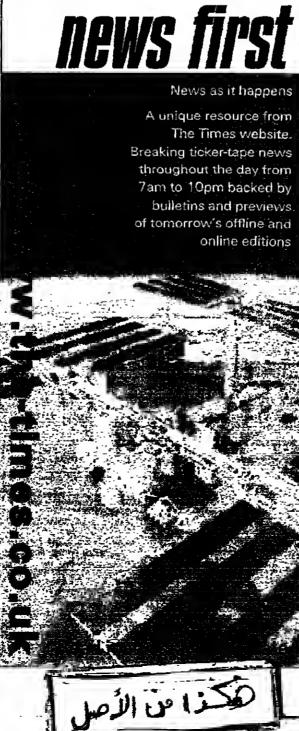
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(b) A clerk on board a ship, a supercargo. From the Portuguese escrivão. DEGLUBATE (c) To flay or excoriate. The Latin means to flay. De equals off,

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and glubere is to peel.







A whole new meaning to fly-on-the-wall

I is heartwarming to see that a contrite BBC — after its insubordination in allowing John Simpson to file reports from Belgrade which Downing Street found offensive - is trying to make amends by helping Gordon Brown to stamp down resurgent house price inflation by the novel means of letting us glimpse Haringey council's environmental health officers at work.

After watching BBCI's new series A Life of Grime, the only people who'll be rushing to make offers on property in this part of North London will be those who are deeply fascinated by exode wildlife, but who can't be bothered

to actually visit London Zoo. All animal life is here, most of it in the kitchen and under the bath mat. A Life Of Grime is the sort of programme that makes you wonder why naturalists struggle in the malarial heat of South American rainforests when they could

It comes as no surprise to discover that this series is made by BBC Bristol: the cockroaches crawling over the tandoori in Tottenham were filmed as lovingly as if this were a David Attenborough natural history documentary. A tray of raw onions was covered in

a cloth harbouring so many bacteria that it would qualify for its own scientific research grant. A pile of poppadoms was speckled with mouse droppings, not black mustard seeds as you hoped. It can't have been purely down to luck that this series is being broadcast after most people will have eaten. When a health officer emerges from a small council flat housing

five dogs and 15 cats, she reports that: "There are dog faeces in the

living room. The cats are going

bald. There's a flea problem",

while her colleague swabs her hands and legs with sufficient anti-

uncover as many species of insect septics to prepare her for surgery. Strangely, the case that should have been the most disquieting was the most heartening. Edmund Trebus, an 81-year-old Polish war veteran who has been living in Crouch End for the past 25 years. has filled all but ten square feet of his five-bedroom house and its garden with rubbish. Even the loo is full of it, which means that while some dogs in Haringey are allowed the luxury of pooping indoors. Mr Trebus finds a space in his garden.

> r Trebus won't let Haringey's health officers clear the garbage. What makes all this encouraging is that if you can survive in such insanitary surroundings to the age of 81, then we needn't waste our money on all those antibacterial sprays they keep advertising on TV. It used to be journalists who

> roamed the world giving everyone

REVIEW

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the impression that the most important aspect of any story was the fact that they had come to report it. Today TV personalities have taken over this conceit. "Celebrities" now descend on an institution - a leading opera house, a football team, etc - and expect to be allowed not just to find out how it is done, but actually to be allowed to do it, even if this jeopardises the reputation for efficiency/success/ artistic merit that the institution has taken years to polish.

A betting man would wager that the manager of the Taj hotel in Bombay had agreed only under sufferance to the request from BBCI's Holiday to let David Gower and Rory McGrath serve as butlers to the Taj's VIP guests, This was a man who would sooner eat his own liver than let mice make doo-doos oo his poppadoms. So while Gower and McGrath found it amusing that room-service orders were cocked up, each slipup stung their new boss like a stab wound. To them it was a jape for a TV show; to him it was his life. About halfway through their trial it must have occurred to the

two Brits that their behaviour was patronising; or maybe their professionalism got the better of them. But just as they had stopped acting like goons for the camera, Gower was recognised by some of Bombay's beautiful people - were attending a ritzy publishing party in one of the Taj's suites. They turned Gower into a non-butlering fellow gues). So, once again, the boss wasn't pleased (but now nor was McGrath). Still, it did whet your appeole for a stay of the Taj - which is presumably why the hotel agreed to the prank in the

7 he Decision (Channe) 4) opened up the social worker's casebook on Hayley, a 15-year-old who goes ahead with having a baby against her separated parents wishes - neither of whom wants anything to do with her. Hayley is no longer with the baby's father, hasn't any money, has no home and is relying on the social services to make her chaos more comfortable. They give her a flat in Newcastle. This dispiriting film - the first of Oliver Morse's three-part series shadowing

including former cricketers - who children and their social workers - doesn't seek to nudge you into wondering why taxpayers should foot the bill for Hayley. But then nor does it strain to nudge you into acknowledging that society would be in an even bigger mess if we did not help the Hayleys.
In Melinda Messenger's newesi

series on Channe) 5, a game show called Can We Still Be Friends?, former couples get to win prizes by dishing dirt on former partners and rehashing the animosities that drove them apart. Is it that nobody else apart from Me)inda Messenger wants to present Channel 5 shows, or does Channel 5 just love Melinda so much that it gives her first dibs on every new show they commission? If it's the latter, why doesn't Channel 5 just go the whole hog and change its logo to a picture of Melinda's swollen cleavage, occompanied by a new station catchphrase: "Our cups runneth over".

BBC1 6.00am Business Breakfast (24537) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (T) (46686) 9.00 Kilrov (T) (9738266)

9.45 Can't Cook, Won't Cook (T) (369857) 10.15 The Vanessa Show (T) (4069150) 11.00 News; Weather (T) (5682570) 11.05 City Hospital (T) (9809599) 11.55 News; Weather (T) (4443042) 12.00 Going for a Song (2736529) 12.25pm Just a Minute (T) (9586006) 12.55 The Weather Show (T) (11399624) 1,00 One O'Clock News (T) (49773)

1.30 Regional News; Weather (58737976) 1.40 Neighbours Sarah gets embarrassing surprise (T) (16988773) 2.05 Through the Keyhole (T) (51331599) 2.30 Snooker: World Championship Further coverage of day five. Presented

by Dougle Donnelly (7316570) 3.25 Children's BBC: Playdays (8272570) 3.45 Starhill Ponies (4806334) 3.55 Hububb (5378599) 4.10 Shirley Holmes (7038792) 4.35 The Demon Headmaster (7277315) 5.00 Newsround (5209112) 5.10 Blue Peter (2060711)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (T) (242112) 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Weather (T) (792) 6.30 Regional News Magazine (604)



A look at how a cricket ball reacts under different conditions (7pm)

7.00 CHEICE Tomorrow's World Peter Snow takes a look at the science of bowling in cricket (1) (9841 7.30 EastEnders The police play the video tape (1) (228)

8.00 Changing Rooms The Interior design challenge visits Bitham (r) (T) (5889) 8.30 Battersea Dogs' Home (T) (524334) 8.50 The National Lottery: Greatest Hits Toyah provides the live music as Angela Griffin presents the draw (T) (426353) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News; Regional News;

Weather (1) (983976) 9.34 National Lottery Update (237957) 9.35 Men Behaving Badly Questions are raised over Tony's sexuality, jeopardising Gary's hopes of including in a spot of male bonding (r) (T) (275082)

10.00 They Think It'e All Over (T) (32334) 10.30 Harry Enfield'a Television Pronme Comedy (r) (T) (249605) 11.05 Film 99 with Jonathan Ross Includes reviews of 8mm and Message in a Bottle

11.35 To Protect and Serve (1992) Premiers. An honest cop witnesses e vicious case of police brutality ending in death, and soon lears for his own life. Thriller, starring C. Thomas Howell. Directed by

Enc Weston (T) (211792) 12.55am Weather (1059613) 1.00 BBC News 24 (7931667) WALES OF THE

9.30-9.34 Party Election Broadcast (T) (237957) 12.55am-1.00 News (1059613)

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Noddy in Toyland (48044) 7.30 Top Cal
(8771841) 7.55 French Exchange
(8036334) 9.19 Rewind (9905247) 8.20
Dastardly and Muttley (4181957) 8.45
Polka Dot Shorts (1871063) 8.50 Pingu
(1863044) 8.55 Small Stories (1862315)
9.00 Geography Programme Shorts
(4762353) 9.10 Numbertime (4759889)
9.25 Folk Dance (9304995) 9.45 Words
and Pictures (7112315) 10.00
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(3760860) 10.45 Cats' Eyes (3765315)
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BBC2

(57131) 1.00 Brum (38962353) Snooker: World Chempionship Dougle Donnelly presents the morning's action (9104518)

2.30 Beautiful Things (5085150) 2.40 News; Weather (T) (8054957) 2.45 Westminster (T) (7400678) 3.55 News; Weather (T) (7842773)

4.00 Snooker: World Championship David Vine presents further coverage from Sheffield's Crucible Theatre (6518) 6.00 Star Treic The Next Generation Sci-fi adventure (r) (T) (938315)

Ronnie O'Sullivan opens his campaign against Leg Fernandez (794228)



7.30 **CHRICE** Leviathan Dennis Waterman looks back at how the game of snooker has developed (T) (570)

CHOICE The Naked Chef Jamie Oliver cooks up a meal for his sister's hen night (T) (6131) 8.30 Home Front Anne McKevitt's Idea for a futuristic kitchen (T) (5266)

9.00 Red Dwarf Kryten takes revenge for Lister's dodgy advice (T) (4632) 9.30 Snooker: World Championship David Vine lollows the progress of Ronnie O'Sullivan as his first-round match continues (1766686)

10.33 Video Nation Shorts (T) (557266) 10.35 Newsnight (T) (344599)

11.25 The Pull of the City Increased optimism in London. Last in series (3/3) (648082) 11.55 Weather (291518) 12.00 Despatch Box (86445)

12.30am BBC Learning Zone: Open University: Sickle Cell — A Lethal Advantage 1.00 The KT Event 1.30 The Nature of impacts and their impacts on Nature 2.00 Schools: Primary PSHE --Who, Me? 4.00 Languages: The Business Language Special 5.00 Business and Trauning: So You Want to Work in Social Care? 5.30 20 Steps to Better Management — Motivating People 5.45 Open University: Nerves 6.10 Insact Regulation and Control

HTV 5.30am ITV Morning News (37599) 6.00 GMTV (2671976)

9.25 Trisha (T) (3324247) 10.30 This Morning (T) (49931315) 12.15pm HTV News and Weather (T) (7894589)

12.30 MV Lunchtime News; Weather (T) 12.55 Shortland Street Rachael finds a new flatmate (1577131)

1.30 Lie Detector (T) (16984957) 1.55 The Jerry Springer Show Outrageous American talk show (T) (5842315) 2.40 Wheel of Fortune (T) (2831570)

3.10 ITV News Headlines (T) (5549266) 3.15 HTV News (T) (5548537) 3.20 CITV: Malsy (5538150) 3.25 The Story Stora (6563686) 3.40 Jumanji (2262605) 4.05 Hey Amoldi (7836112) 4.35

Wildtrack (7295711) 5.00 Catchphrase (r) (T) (4773) 5.30 WEST: Live and Local Richard Wyatt and Polly Lloyd report from a different

ocation in the region each week (247) 5.30 WALES: Get Gardening! New se Horticultural magazine (1) (247) 5.58 HTV Weather (837570) 6.00 HTV News (1) (860)

6.25 WALES: Party Election Broadcast By the Natural Law Party of Wales (481686) 6.29 Crimestoppers (461686)

6.30 ITV Evening News; Weather (1) (112) 7.00 Coronation Street Roy and Hayley's big day arrives (T) (4537)



Can Andy Cole save the Reds European campaign? (7.30pm)

7.30 CHOICE Tha Big Match — Live! Juventus v Manchester United (kick-off 7.45pm). Bob Wilson introduces coverage of the European Cup semi-final second-leg match at the Stadio delle Alpi in Tunn. Including the National Lottery result. Subsequent programmes may run ate (T) (997112)

10.00 Their Worst Nightmares: Sports Commentators Magic moments from the masters of the microphone (T) (2889) 11.00 ITV Nightly News; Weather (T) (919082) 11.20 HTV News and Weather (T) (804711) 11.30 The Big Match Champions' League semi-linal highlights (678063)

12.35am Farewell My Lovely (1975) Robert Mitchum, as Raymond Chandler's world-weary gumshoe Philip Marlowe, is hired to search for an ex-convict's missing sweetheart. Thriller, with Charlotte Rampling. Directed by Dick Richards (121377)

2.20 The Blg Match Bayern Munich Dynamo Kiev (521280)
4.05 The Maiding of What Dreams May
Come Behind the scenes of Robin
Williams's new film (68798209)

4.35 ITV Nightscreen Behind the scenes of ITV programmes (42039716) 5.00 Coronation Street (r) (T) (71174)

CENTRAL

As HTV West except: 12.20-12.30pm Central News: Weather (9012228)

12.55 Lie Detector (2493044) 1.25 The Jerry Springer Show (4667860) 2.10-2.40 Echo Point (89630131) 3.15-3.20 Central News; Weather (5548537) 5.30 Shortland Street (247) 6.00-6.30 Central News at Sb; Weather

11.20-11.30 Central News; Weather (804711) 4.05am Central Jobfinder '99 (8106358) 5.20-5.30 Asian Eye (9269342)

WESTCOUNTRY

As HTV West except: 12.15pm Westcountry News (7894599) 12.27-12.30 Illuminations (9020247) 12.55-1.25 Westcountry Lunchtime Weather (2493044)

1.25 The Jerry Springer Show (4667860) 2.10-2.40 Lie Detector (89630131) 3.15-3.20 Westcountry News; Weather

4.59-5.00 Birthday People (6744632) 5.30 Mad About Shopping (247) 6.00-6.30 Westcountry Live (860) 11.20-11.30 Westcountry News; Weather

STEEL SHEROWER STATE

As HTV West except: 12,15pm-12.30 Meridian News; Weather (7894599) 5,30 Wildlife SOS (1/13) (247) 6.00-6.30 Meridian Tonight (T) (800) 7.29-7.30 Meridian Weather (514537) 11.20-11.30 Meridian News; Weather (T) (804711) 5.00am-5.30 Freescreen (T) (71174)

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Starts: 6.00am Sesame Street (r) (86091570) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (69667711) 9.00 Ysgollon: The English Programme (63128537) 9.30 Rat-A-Tat-Tat (37404179) 9.45 Book Book (37492334) 10.00 Stage Two Science (62305860) 10.15 All About Us (62328711) 10.30 The Number Crew (39679421) 10.45 Pitch Fever (39674976) 11.00 First Edition (25052247) 11.15 The X File (25035570) 11.30

Powerhouse (T) (90379605) 12.00 Home improvement (T) (63108773) 12.30pm Sesame Street (T) (93099841) 1.00 Planed Plant (T) (69637570) 1.30 The Three Slooges

(r) (T) (99903841) 1.55 Racing from Ep (15032599) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (19032333) 4.30 Ricki Lake (T) (99035315) 5.00 Planed Plant (41417228) 5.30 Countdown (T) (99059995) 6.00 Party Election Broadcast (T) (70878599) 6.05 Newyddion 6 (T) (70860570) 6.10 Heno (T) (1) (38364860) 7.00 Pobol y Cwm (1) (41420792) 7.30 Darllediad Etholiadol (1) (56552995) 7.35 Newyddion (1) (31990711) 8.05 Pfermio (1) (84353266) 8.35 Hawilo (1) (52552131) 9.05 ER (1) (54647808) 10.00 Brookside (1) (51874860) 10.35 Eurotrash (r) (T) (81866063) 11.05 Spin City (T) (85411266) 11.35 The 11 O'Clock Show (67001995) 12.05am Paul Zenon Turning Tricks (84705648) 1.05 Exposed: Wedding (T) (81021754) 1.20 F3 on 4 (89261193) 1.50 Football Italia: Mezzanotte (48771532) 4.05 Trans World Sport (54644700) 5.00 Diwedd

CHANNEL 4

6.00am Sesame Street (r) (17247) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (62624)

9.00 Schools: The English Programme (44179) 9.30 Rat-A-Tat-Tal (7119228) 9.45 Book Box (7130711) 10.00 Stage Two Science (1305570) 10.15 All About Us (1328421) 10.30 The Number Crew (3771976) 10.40 Pitch Fever (9218266) 11.00 First Edition V (6104773) 11.15 The X File (8127624)

11.30 Powerhouse (T) (6353) 12.00 Sesame Street (r) (T) (24315) 12.30pm Bewitched (T) (59599)

1.00 Caroline in the City Caroline and Annie find romance on a skiing trip (65711) 1.30 The Three Stooges (r) (T) (16982599)

1.55 Racing from Epsom Including the 2.05 J&E Hall Stakes (H'cap), 2.35 Schroder Unit Trusts Blue Riband Trial Stakes, 3.10 Stanley Racing, Great Metropolitan Stakes (H'cap), and the 3.45 Racford and Linde City and Suburban Stakes (H'cap) (89235624)

4.00 Fifteen-to-One (T) (353) 4.30 Countdown (T) (7294082)

4.55 Ricki Lake Three leenage alcoholics undergo treatment (T) (9049315) 5.30 Pet Rescue (1) (889)

6.00 Dawson's Creek Chris holds a study group at his house, but it ends up turning into a party, giving the gang an excuse to quiz each other about their sexual experiences (T) (947063)

6.50 T4orce Highlights from last week's T4 programmes (987334) 7.00 Channel 4 News; Weather (T) (417792)

7.55 New Labour, New Language Donna McPhail wonders what has happened to Tony Blair's temale MPs (T) (367841) 8.00 Brookside Ryan Is arrested (T) (8599) 8.30 She's Gotta Have It Liza Tarbuck and the team visit London, where they transform three tucky ladies into chic,

sporty types (2/10) (T) (6614) 9.00 ER Carol ancourages a terminal cancer patient to smoke cannable, and Elizabeth decides to take Maggie's side in the forthcoming sexual harassment case against Romano (1) (8024)



A new series of the political comedy with Michael J. Fox (centre) (10pm)

10.00 CHOICE Spin City Michael finally finds tame, although not entirely in the way he might have hoped (T) (25044) 10.30 Eurotrash Continental capers with Anloine de Caunes (r) (T) (34792)

11.00 The 11 O'Clock Show Topical comedy with Jain Lee and co (7605) 11.30 So Graham Norton With Fem Britton. Last in senes (r) (374150)

12.10am 4 Later; Party Monster (2063629) 1.20 F3 on 4 Formula Three racing (2696731) 1.50 Football Italia - Mezzanotte Serie A action (22063716)

4.05 Trans World Sport (2507464) 5.00 Electric Avenue The mendship of two budding boxers (3/4) (r) (T) (79716)

CHANNEL 5

6.00am 5 News and Sport With Becky 7.00 WideWorld Part four. How to record the present for future generations (r) (T)

(2482353) 7.30 Milkshakal (2270711) 7.35 Munnet Babies, 5 News Undate

o (r) (8481957)

8.30 Dappledown Farm (r), 5 News Update (8480228) 9.00 The Roseanne Show (5194266)

9.50 Russell Grant's Postcards (8502500) 9.55 The Bold and the Beautiful Brooke pleads with Grani (T) (8338518) 10.20 Sunset Beach Cailin comes clean to

Cole (T) (4894179) 11.10 Leeza (3559044) 12.00 5 News at Noon (T) (8484044) 12.30pm Family Affairs Pete gets his belongings back (r) (T); 5 News Update

(7633583)

1.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show Oprah meets
Tina Turner (4452605)
1.50 McMülan and Wite: The Fine Art of
Staying Alive (TVM 1973) A curning
kidnapper holds Mrs McMilan to ransom, bargaining her Itla for a valuable Rembrandt painting, Light-hearted mystery, with Rock Hudson, Directed by Ed Abrams; 5 News Update (28594112)

3.15 Sphinx (1981) A lemale Indiana Jones braves a series of dangers as she explores an Ancient Egyptian tomb. Starring Lesley-Anne Down, Directed by Franklin H. Schaffner (60908860)

5,20 5 News (T) (59893605) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (6789808) 6.00 5 News; Weather Round-up of the day's

stories, including First on Five (T) (6779421)
6.30 Family Atfairs Pam has a mystery admirer (T); 5 News Update (6760773)

7.00 Police Squad Spool cop comedy, starring Lestie Nielsen (2796957) 7.30 Aussie Birds How the langlisher and

kookaburra have adapted to the Outback (T); 5 News Update (6766957) 8.00 Peggy Sue Got Married (1986 Depressed fortysomething Kathleer Turner faints at a high-school reunion and awakes to find that she has travelled

back to 1960, where she meets her tutura husband — whom she is planning to divorce in the present day. Francis Ford Coppola's comedy (T) (9941112) 10.00 Basic Instinct (1991) Steamy thriller, starring Michael Douglas as a hard-drinking cop who investigates a

grisly murder — only to be slowly drawn into the arms of the chief suspect Sharon Stone. Directed by Paul Verhoeven (T) [84507266]

12.20am Not the Jack Docherty Show With guests Nik Kershaw and Howard Jones (7272358)

1.00 Live and Dangerous: Major League Baseball Live Jonathan Gould and Todd Macklin present live coveraga of e top US basebell game (2079006) 4.30 Live and Dangerous: Australian Rules

Football Bone-crunching action from Down Under (3125862) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (6576087)

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EUROSPORT

7.00am Crosscads 7.30 Neighbours 7.55 EastEnders 8.30 The Bit 8.00 The Bit 9.30 The House of Eliott 10.30 Phoda 11.00

12.00am Wreating 1.00pm Fish TV 2.00 Tales From the Premiership 2.30 Boxing Superbouts 3.30 Vollsyhall 5.30 Australian Raily Championship 8.00 European Tour Coti Weekly 5.30 Goll Extra 8.30 Rugby League World 16.00 FA Cup Final Classics 11.30 Close

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United manager ponders which cards to play as Giggs is forced to sit out training

Ferguson may have to discard ace in the pack

FROM OLIVER HOLT, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

EVEN after the plane had come to a standstill and the rest of the passengers had disembarked, Ryan Giggs, Gary Neville, Nicky Bun and Teddy Sheringham stayed on the empty aircraft determined to finish their game of cards.

This is not a trip for aban-doning any kind of contest halfway through. This. they and their team-mates know. is the time when they have to go

If Manchester United fail against Juventus in the great concrete bowl of the Stadio delle Alpi tonight, recriminations and regrets will cloud the remainder of their season and pursue them into the next millennium, no matter what domestic honours they manage to prise away from Arsenal.

This is what they have been building towards for as long as most of them can remem-ber, the essence of the obsession nurtured since Alex Ferguson brought it within their compass to emulate Sir Man Busby and his team by winning the European Cup.
It is so close now that they

can almost reach out and grasp it. but with its proximity comes the dread of what defeat would mean and the desperation to achieve what few teams have done by beating the Italian champions in front of their

own supporters. To get this close and fail, as they did against Borussia

Dortmund in the last days of Eric Cantona, to have to start the quest all over again next season, when Peter Sch-meichel will have gone, is almost unthinkable.

They know that Juventus appear to have timed their season to perfection after six months of unfamiliar mediocrity and that Edgar Davids and Zinedine Zidane are two of the most formidable oppo-nents that they will come

Ferguson, who spoke about the conundrum of coping with the "Zidane thing", also knows, after their shaky 1-1 draw in the first leg of the semi-finals a fortnight ago, that they must score here if they are to progress to the final

in the Nou Camp on May 26.
Last night, though, it seemed increasingly likely that United would have to try to reach their target without Giggs. The inspirational winger sat forlornly on a green box in the empty shell of the stadi-um during United's evening training session, his ankle heavily strapped.

His loss would be a particularly savage blow after his tour de force against Arsenal propelled Manchester United into the FA Cup Final last week. He would have gone into the game tonight feeling as though he could take on the world. Now, it seems that his place will be taken by Jesper

Giggs, scorer of two of United's most important goals of the season but now nursing a heavily strapped left ankle, watches his team-mates train in the Stadio delle Alpi yesterday

Blomqvist or Paul Scholes. That will increase the importance of the contribution of Dwight Yorke and Andy Cole. the prolific striking partners who have fallen strangely quiet. Yorke, the European Cup's leading scorer, has not scored since the middle of March.

Neither has Cole. Ferguson has dropped Cole from United's past two league games. Yorke, too, has been used sparingly. Some of his critics have suggested that he has grown complacent after a gilded start to his United career, which has yielded 26 goals this season. In his absence, Teddy Sheringham has reminded Ferguson what a skilful provider he can still be.

Ferguson's treatment of Yorke and Cole will have remedied any motivational deficiencies that may have crept into their games. Both were bristling with indignation and de-

UNDER Alex Ferguson. Man-

termination when they arrived in Italy yesterday. "I was disappointed with my own performance in the first leg," Yorke said. "It was my worst per-formance since I arrived at United. It was just one of those days. Everything had been going so well and it was such a shame that on one of the big-

gest occasions, I didn't per-form. Hopefully, I will be giv-

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en another chance and I will put that right. I don't think I have anything to prove but I do have to help to get a result." Cole needs little motivation,

apart from the gnawing memoany difference to anybody. Peories of the chances that he and ple should realise we are still Cantona missed against Dortcontributing." mund at Old Trafford. His profligacy that night seemed Urs Meler, the Swiss who is the referee tonight, ruled out to have closed the debate about his ability to take opportwo apparently legitimate tunities at this rarefied level, United goals in the second leg but his performances, this seaof the match against Dort son in particular, have caused mund, remained optimistic.

many to change their minds. "I took a lot of the blame after that match," Cole said, "but I am used to it. I have improved as a player since then. I judge myself more than anyone else judges me. f have got better and will continue getting better but I am too old to worry about what people say

about me these days. I laugh stuff like that off now. "It has been hard to play in

tion of many things," he said. "Luck comes into it, but the one dominant thing is that we are going to have to perform magnificently to win. It would be a marvellous achievement. "We have progressed. I nev-

"We will need a combina-

the last couple of games. f don't like it when people keep

going on about how me and

Dwight haven't scored for a

few games. It shouldn't make

Ferguson, who recalled that

er quite thought we could win it two years ago, but we have learnt well. We are capable of recovering in important matches. That's a good sign."



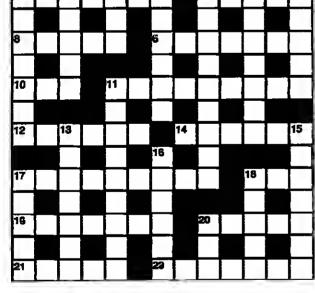
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Proud Juventus can take heart from their glorious record

FROM MATT DICKINSON IN TURIN



TIMESTWO

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3 Anger (3)

4 Answerable (6)

5 A flute: a bean [9]

6 Ugly building (7)

11 Hearth, grate (9)

15 Retreat. go down (7)

16 Acquire dentition (6)

13 Pilots cabin (7)

18 Signal light (5)

2 Walked through water (5)

7 Work, mould, with hands (5)

17 Build up weapons again (5)

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chester United's repeated attempts to reach the final of the reach the final again has too of-European Cup have seemed like epic assaults on the highest mountain. Every year the last few steps have proved insurmountable. Brave men -Hughes and Ince — as well as brilliant footballers - Cantona and Kanchelskis - have failed to reach the summin.

Such a sequence of disappointments makes the achievements of Juventus all the more remarkable because tonight, in the Stadio delle Alpi, the Italian club can reach its fourth European Cup final in succession. The magnitude of the feat is such that only the mighty Real Madrid of the 1950s have managed it - they made it to five - and so it is not only United who will feel that history beckons.

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0-4 (away), agg 2-5.

After a club record 10-0 victory over Anderech: in the preliminary round. United met their match in Real. Di

Stelano, Kopa, Mateos el al ensured that the second leg of the semi-inal at Old Traiford — the first European match at the ground under newly installed floodlights —

1957-58: AC Millan: 2-1 (home),

On February 6, 1958, the Munich air

On February 6, 1958, the Munich air disaster claimed the lives of eight United players. It destroyed United's strongest fine-up and lemporarily halted Sir Matt Busby's designs on the European Cup Only three regular first-team players were in the team when, three morths later, they secured an Old Trafford in the first leg of the semi-linal. However, the likes of Schattino and Maldini secured Milan's aggregate success.

Milan's aggregate success.

United's 31-year wait to

ten appeared a heavy burden but there was no sense yesterday that Juventus were weighed down by the baggage of history. "The past record is not a worry because this is the first time for me," Carlo Ancelotti, the coach, said. The players appear to share his equanimity. "The atmosphere

is tranquil and serene," Antonio Conte, the captain, said and there was no evidence to the contrary among a squad of hardened and hungry professionals. Their relaxation, in part, appears to stem from the knowledge that they are lucky to be here. They are unbeaten

in this competition only be-

cause of some outrageous

good fortune, but it appears

only to have made them more

UNITED'S EUROPEAN CUP SEMI-FINAL RECORD

1965-66: Partizan Belgrade: 0-2 (away). 1-0 (home), agg 1-2.

George Best, outstanding against Bentica in the quarter-finals, was crucially injured for the second leg of the semi-final at Old Tredford. An action cold by Section the victions.

own goal by Soskic, the visitors' goalkeeper, gave United hope but without Besi's inspiration they were unable to pull back the two-goal

deficit from the lirst leg in Belgrade.

1967-68: Real Madrid: 1-0 (nome), 3-3 (away), agg 4-3. Heal's lalent's were by now on the decime but they had retained their glamour and this spellbinding tie captivated 183,000 speciators over the two legs. At hall-time in the second leg. United were trailing 3-1 (3-2 on aggregate) when Busby's famous pep talk reminded them that just one more goal would see them through to the final. In lecture, they managed two the second from Bill Foulkes, an unlikely goal-scoring hero in one of his 679 appearances for the club.

determined to make the most of it now that they have survived this far. "It is easier for us to qualify for the Champions' League next season by winning it rather than finishing fourth in Serie A," Ancelotti said, and players such as Deschamps and Davids know exactly what it takes.

United supporters looking for reasons to be optimistic should probably stop reading now. In almost 150 European matches in Turin, Juventus have lost only seven times -Arsenal inflicted one of those rare defeats in 1980 - and they have scored in front of their own supporters in every European match in the past seven years. United, it must be noted, have never won on Italian soil.

Such records always come

1968-69: AC Milar: 0-2 (away).

The previous season's triumph had ended United's search for the Holy Grail, but their attempts to defend the trophy failed. Artid dramatic scences at Old Traiford, a Bobby

Chariton goal proved insufficient. Denis Law was convinced that his shot had crossed the line late in the

1996-97: Borussia Dortmund 0-1 (eway), 0-1 (home), agg 0-2

Enc Cantona had proved the

Enc Cantons had proved the catalyst for so many United victories since his arrival from Leeds United but the European Cup had eluded him and his team-mates. The Frenchman was instrumental in brushing aside the challenge of FC Porto in the quarter-finals but produced two of his least effective performances in

his least effective performances in the games against Borussia Dortmand, the eventual winners

game, but it was not given.

1-0 (home), agg 1-2.

to an end, of course, but this Juventus side will prove tenacious defenders of such a formidable reputation. "We have a small edge at I-I," Anceloni said, "but that must only increase our determination. If we think it makes it easier for us, then the advantage will switch to them. We are in good shape for the game. The players, particularly Zidane, are fitter than at Old Trafford so I believe we can play for the entire 90 minutes as we did in the first half there."

Paolo Montero, the impressive Uruguay defender, is the only injury concern for Juventus, who expect a fast and furious game. Ancelotti is expected to field a side similar to that which could easily have been 3-0 up after half an hour in Manchester. Their early domination was largely down to the promptings of Zidane, who, as at Old Trafford, is expected to weave his passing webs be-hind a lone striker in Inzaghi.

United will have to demonstrate that they have learnt from their tactical mistakes by instructing one of the back four, rather than Keane, to pick up Zidane.

The Frenchman is understood to have been less than thrilled at the comments of Gianni Agnelli, the club's owner, this week which suggested that he is henpecked by his wife, but unless Mrs Zidane insists that her husband stays at home to do the dishes or vacuum the carpet, his presence alone will ensure that Juventus start the match as favourites. The Italians are bracing themselves for a tight, frenetic match and have practised penalties in case it finishes I-l. "It will be close." Ancelotti admitted, but he did so with an air of calm.





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